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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 ON TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2014, ON PAGE 117]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. IF YOU WOULD
7 PLEASE RISE, WE WILL BEGIN THE MEETING. THIS MORNING OUR
8 INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY PASTOR SHAWN WALDEN, SHEPHERD CHURCH
9 WEST VALLEY IN WOODLAND HILLS FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT FOLLOWED
10 BY THE PLEDGE WHICH WILL BE LED BY LEONARDO SANCHEZ, FORMER
11 SERGEANT UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS AND STAFF SERGEANT UNITED
12 STATES ARMY FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT. PASTOR WALDEN.

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14 **SHAWN WALDEN:** LET'S BOW. DEAR GOD IN HEAVEN, WE THANK YOU FOR
15 THE PRIVILEGE OF LIVING IN THIS GREAT COUNTY AND THANK YOU FOR
16 THESE LEADERS YOU'VE GIVEN US TO GOVERN. AND WE PRAY THAT YOU
17 WOULD GIVE THEM WISDOM AND DISCERNMENT AS THEY MAKE DECISIONS,
18 AS THEY DECIDE NOT JUST WHAT WOULD BENEFIT THIS COUNTY BUT THE
19 PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY. AND, GOD, WE PRAY FOR PROSPERITY FOR
20 THE RESIDENTS, BUT WE ALSO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO THEY MAY BE WELL
21 OFF BUT ARE IN NEED OF RELATIONSHIPS, THEY'RE POOR
22 RELATIONALLY. GOD, WE WANT TO HAVE A COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE
23 ARE NOT LIVING IN A CROWDED CITY BUT COMPLETELY ALONE. FATHER,
24 WE PRAY FOR THIS GREAT COUNTY, THIS GREAT CITY THAT WE LIVE
25 IN. WE PRAY THAT PEOPLE WOULD FIND A HOME AND FRIENDS AND FIND

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1 DIRECTION FROM YOU. GOD, WE PRAY FOR A RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU
2 AND A RELATIONSHIP WITH ONE ANOTHER. GIVE US PEACE WITH EACH
3 OTHER AND HELP US TO FIND TRUE JOY AS WE SERVE EACH OTHER. WE
4 PRAY ALL THIS AND ASK FOR YOUR FAVOR, AMEN.

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6 **LEONARDO E. SANCHEZ:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PLEASE. FOLLOW ME
7 IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]
8 THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? MR. CHAIRMAN,
11 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS
12 MORNING BY PASTOR SHAWN WALDEN WHO BEGAN HIS MINISTRY IN 1987
13 PREACHING FOR MANY YEARS BEFORE COMING TO THE SHEPHERD OF THE
14 HILLS WEST VALLEY CHURCH IN 1999 AS THE EVANGELISM PASTOR.
15 SHAWN GREW UP IN OKLAHOMA CITY AND IS A BIG OKLAHOMA SPORTS
16 FAN. I HAVE TO SAY THAT I WAS AT AN OKLAHOMA U.C.L.A. FOOTBALL
17 GAME BACK IN 1986 IN NORMAN AND IT WAS NOT A VERY PLEASANT
18 EXPERIENCE. [LAUGHTER.] SHAWN HAS A PARTICULAR LOVE OF
19 STUDYING AND TEACHING THE WORD, WHICH IN THIS PLACE IS DON
20 KNABE'S READING OF THE MINUTES. BUT SHAWN'S WIFE SUZANNE IS
21 SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS WORSHIP DIRECTER AND THEY HAVE THREE
22 CHILDREN. WE'RE VERY HONORED TO HAVE YOU HERE THIS MORNING AND
23 FOR THAT BEAUTIFUL INVOCATION. AND WE WISH YOU WELL IN YOUR
24 MINISTRY AND COME BACK AND VISIT US AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR,
2 COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED TO WELCOME MR. LEONARDO SANCHEZ WHO IS
3 CURRENTLY STAFF SERGEANT WITH THE SECOND BATTALION OF THE
4 UNITED STATES ARMY. HE IS UNIQUE BECAUSE HE ALSO SERVED AS
5 SERGEANT WITH THE 23RD MARINES OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE
6 CORPS FROM 2003 TO 2010. AS A MARINE, HE WAS DEPLOYED OVERSEAS
7 TO IRAQ. HE ATTENDED HIGH SCHOOL AND LOS ANGELES TRADE
8 TECHNICAL COLLEGE. HE'S BEEN AWARDED NUMEROUS MEDALS,
9 INCLUDING NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, THE GLOBAL WAR AND
10 TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL, THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, IRAQI
11 CAMPAIGN MEDAL, SEA SERVICE RIBBON AND THE ARMY ACHIEVEMENT
12 MEDAL, JUST TO NAME A FEW. SERGEANT SANCHEZ IS CURRENTLY AN
13 OFFICE MANAGER TO THE LOS ANGELES VETERANS CENTER, AND HE
14 LIVES IN THE SECOND DISTRICT AND HAS DONE SO FOR THE PAST
15 THREE YEARS. I THINK WE SHOULD GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO
16 LEONARDO E. SANCHEZ. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LET'S PROCEED
19 WITH THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,
22 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3,
23 PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8. ON THESE ITEMS, WE WILL
24 HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
25 ITEMS 9 THROUGH 14, ON ITEM NO. 10, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A

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1 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO. 12,
2 ALTHOUGH THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA INDICATES THAT SUPERVISOR
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
4 JULY 1ST, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
5 APPROVED TODAY. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
6 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

9

10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
14 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
15 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON PAGE 10 CONSENT
18 CALENDAR, ITEMS 15 THROUGH 27. ON ITEM NO. 15, SUPERVISOR
19 YAROSLAVSKY AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM
20 BE HELD.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 16, AS INDICATED ON
25 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS

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1 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ON ITEM NO. 17, THERE'S
2 A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
3 ITEM 19 AND 20, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
4 TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 21, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
5 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM 26 AND 27,
6 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM EITHER MEMBERS OR A MEMBER OF THE
7 PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
8 CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
11 RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE
12 THE ORDER.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 17, DISCUSSION ITEM. ITEM
15 NO. 28. AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF
16 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
17 WEEK.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO BE THE ORDER.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 18, MISCELLANEOUS,
22 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
23 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
24 AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 29-A, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF

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1 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 29-B, THAT ITEM IS
2 BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE
5 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND ON PAGE
6 21, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS-1 AS INDICATED ON
7 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS
8 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. CS-1.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CS-1.

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12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF
13 THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
14 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? ZEV HAVE THE
17 HAND-HELD?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO
20 WELCOME TO THE BOARD THIS MORNING FOR RECOGNITION SOMEONE WITH
21 WHOM WE ARE ALL FAMILIAR, MERRICK BOBB. MERRICK HAS SERVED
22 WITH DISTINCTION SINCE 1993 AS A SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, A POSITION WHICH CARRIES
24 THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MONITORING THE OPERATION OF THE LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE FOURTH LARGEST LAW

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1 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN THE UNITED STATES. IN MONITORING THE
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, MERRICK HAS EXTENSIVELY ANALYZED
3 CIVILIAN COMPLAINTS, INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATIONS AND
4 INTERNAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS OVER THE COURSE OF MORE THAN
5 40 SEMIANNUAL REPORTS, RECOMMENDING SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES THAT
6 HAVE SPURRED MUCH- NEEDED SCRUTINY OF SHERIFF'S OPERATIONS AND
7 INSTIGATED NUMEROUS REFORMS. HE CURRENTLY SERVES AS PRESIDENT
8 AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE POLICE ASSESSMENT RESOURCE
9 CENTER, THE LOS ANGELES-BASED ORGANIZATION FORMED IN 2001 THAT
10 HAS BECOME A LEADING AUTHORITY ON CONTEMPORARY LAW ENFORCEMENT
11 PRACTICES DEDICATED TO PROMOTING EFFECTIVE, ACCOUNTABLE AND
12 CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING AND TO PROVIDE NONPARTISAN,
13 INDEPENDENT AND EVIDENCE-BASED COUNSEL, ADVICE AND RESEARCH TO
14 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, CITIES AND COUNTIES, MAYORS, CITY
15 COUNCILS, AND COMMUNITY GROUPS. HE HAS PERFORMED EXTRAORDINARY
16 PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, HELPING TO
17 SHAPE AND DEFINE THE DEBATE AND CLARIFY BOTH THE NEED AND
18 OPPORTUNITIES FOR REFORM IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AN
19 EFFORT CURRENTLY UNDERWAY BUT WHOSE CONCLUSION REMAINS TO BE
20 WRITTEN. SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTED TO RESOLVE TODAY
21 THAT THE YOU, MERRICK, ARE HEREBY COMMENDED FOR YOUR PROFOUND
22 DEDICATION TO ADVANCING OUR KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF LAW
23 ENFORCEMENT POLICY AND PRACTICE AND TO VIGOROUSLY AND
24 EFFECTIVELY ADVOCATING FOR THEIR IMPROVEMENT. AND WE EXTEND TO
25 YOU SINCERE BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS AND FULFILLMENT

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1 IN ALL YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS. NOW, I WILL SAY THAT YOU WERE
2 APPOINTED BEFORE I GOT HERE, BUT YOUR REPUTATION PRECEDED YOU.
3 I THINK ALL OF US FEEL WHAT THIS RESOLUTION PROCLAIMS, WHICH
4 IS THAT YOU HAVE DONE A GREAT SERVICE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
5 PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY.
6 AND 1993, THAT'S 21 YEARS. THAT'S A CAREER. AND YOU'VE MADE A
7 PROFOUND IMPACT ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT
8 AGENCIES. AND EVERYTHING THAT'S GOING ON NOW IS REALLY -- YOU
9 ARE THE PRECURSOR TO MANY OF THE THINGS THAT ARE BEING DONE.
10 YOU ACTUALLY WROTE THE ROAD MAP MANY YEARS AGO. SO WE
11 CONGRATULATE YOU AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO US AND
12 WE WISH YOU WELL IN THE YEARS AHEAD. [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN PRAISE TO
17 MERRICK BOBB. WHEN I FIRST GOT HERE 1991, IT WAS ONE OF THE
18 VERY FIRST THINGS THAT WE DID. AND IF IT HAD NOT BEEN FOR
19 MERRICK BOBB AND JUDGE KOLTS WHO DID THE WORK AT THAT TIME, IT
20 WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY, VERY HARD TO CONTINUE. THEY WERE VERY
21 ASSERTIVE IN THE WAY AND IN THE MANNER THAT THEY TOOK ON THAT
22 REPORT AND PUT TOGETHER A SET OF REFORMS THAT WE HAVE BEEN
23 STILL TRYING TO IMPLEMENT. BUT I PARTICULARLY ENJOYED ALL THE
24 TIME THAT YOU WERE MONITORING. YOU WERE VERY HELPFUL. YOUR
25 ADVICE WAS VERY SOLID. I WISH WE WOULD HAVE BEEN SMARTER ALONG

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1 THE WAY, AS YOU KNOW, RIGHT? TO HAVE IMPLEMENTED MANY MORE OF
2 THE REFORMS THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT AND FOLLOWED UP ON REPORTS
3 AND JUST BENCH MORE DOGGED ABOUT EVERY ONE OF THOSE ISSUES.
4 BUT I APPRECIATE THE WORK AND THE SERVICE THAT YOU PROVIDED TO
5 THIS COUNTY, AND I KNOW THANK YOU SO MUCH AND CONGRATULATIONS
6 TO YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **MERRICK BOBB:** SUPERVISORS, IT HAS BEEN MY GREAT PLEASURE TO
9 HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH YOU OVER THESE LAST 20-
10 SOME YEARS. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR HELP, ALL YOUR
11 SUPPORT AND ALL THE GOOD WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE TO MAKE SURE
12 THAT OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY. AND
13 I THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ZEV, I BELIEVE YOU HAVE ANOTHER, YOU AND
16 GLORIA?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M SORRY?

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK YOU TWO HAVE ANOTHER
21 PRESENTATION.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I'D LIKE TO ASK SUPERVISOR MOLINA TO
24 JOIN ME FOR THIS PRESENTATION. IS DR. GUTIERREZ HERE? MEMBERS
25 OF THE BOARD, AGAIN IT'S A PRIVILEGE AND AN HONOR TO WELCOME

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1 DR. FELIX GUTIERREZ FOR THIS MORNING. DR. GUTIERREZ IS A
2 PROFESSOR OF JOURNALISM AND COMMUNICATION IN THE ANNENBERG
3 SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION AND JOURNALISM AND A PROFESSOR OF
4 AMERICAN STUDIES IN ETHNICITY IN THE DANA AND DAVID DORNSIFE
5 COLLEGE OF LETTERS ARTS AND SCIENCE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
6 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. DR. GUTIERREZ IS A RECOGNIZED SCHOLAR IN
7 THE FIELD OF MEDIA, MULTICULTURALISM AND TEACHER AND MENTOR TO
8 THOUSANDS OF JOURNALISM AND MEDIA STUDIES STUDENTS OVER MANY
9 YEARS. HE IS NOW RETIRING FROM THE CLASSROOM AFTER 40 YEARS OF
10 OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE IN HIGHER
11 EDUCATION. HE'S A PRODUCT OF EAST LOS ANGELES. HE EARNED HIS
12 B.A. FROM CAL STATE L.A. WHERE HE WAS ELECTED STUDENT BODY
13 PRESIDENT WHERE HE DEFEATED MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. [LAUGHTER.] I
14 PUT THAT IN. BUT HE'S BEEN UNDEFEATED EVER SINCE, SO YOU
15 TAUGHT HIM SOMETHING. A PRODUCT OF EAST LOS ANGELES, AS I
16 SAID. HE IS ALSO RECEIVED HIS M.S.-- HIS B.A. FROM CAL STATE.
17 HIS M.S. FROM NORTHWEST UNIVERSITY'S MEDILL SCHOOL OF
18 JOURNALISM AND M.A. AND PH.D. FROM STANFORD UNIVERSITY. AMONG
19 HIS NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE BEING IN 2011 THE
20 RECIPIENT OF THE LIONEL BARROW JR. AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED
21 ACHIEVEMENT IN DIVERSITY RESEARCH AND EDUCATION BY THE
22 ASSOCIATION FOR EDUCATION IN JOURNALISM AND MASS
23 COMMUNICATION. HE IS THE AUTHOR OR COAUTHOR OF FIVE BOOKS AND
24 MORE THAN 50 SCHOLARLY ARTICLES OR BOOK CHAPTERS, MOST ON
25 RACIAL OR TECHNOLOGICAL DIVERSITY IN MEDIA. HIS CURRENT

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1 SCHOLARSHIP FOCUSES ON VOICES FOR JUSTICE, 200 YEARS OF LATINO
2 NEWSPAPERS IN THE UNITED STATES, DOCUMENTING THE ISSUES
3 COVERED BY U.S. LATINO NEWSPAPERS SINCE 1808. AND THE
4 JOURNALISTS WHO COVERED THESE STORIES. HIS CAREER IN HIGHER
5 EDUCATION INCLUDES TENURED FACULTY POSITIONS AT U.S.C., CAL
6 STATE NORTHRIDGE AND ADMINISTRATIVE POSTS AT U.S.C., STANFORD
7 UNIVERSITY AND CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AT LOS ANGELES. AND
8 VISITING APPOINTMENTS AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, THE CLAREMONT
9 COLLEGES AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN. HE IS ALSO THE
10 FIRST EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA CHICANO NEWS MEDIA
11 ASSOCIATION FROM 1978 TO 1980. I THINK IT'S FAIR TO SAY THAT
12 FELIX GUTIERREZ IS A LEGEND IN HIS OWN TIME. AND WE'RE HONORED
13 TO HAVE YOU HERE, HONORED TO HAVE YOU AS PART OF THE LOS
14 ANGELES COMMUNITY, 40 YEARS IS A LONG TIME. SOME OF US KNOW
15 THAT. BUT IT'S NOT THAT LONG THAT YOU CAN'T WRITE A NEW
16 CHAPTER. WE LOOK FORWARD TO MORE OF YOUR NEW CHAPTERS, WHETHER
17 IT'S IN WRITING OR YOUR ACTIONS. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE
18 YOU ON YOUR RETIREMENT, WISH YOU WELL. BEFORE I TURN THIS OVER
19 TO YOU I WANT TO ASK MY COLLEAGUE, GLORIA MOLINA TO SAY A FEW
20 WORDS.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. IT IS MY HONOR TO BRING PRAISE TO
23 FELIX GUTIERREZ. I'M PROUD THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS
24 PROVIDED THIS KIND OF RECOGNITION. HIS RETIREMENT IS A LOSS OF
25 A GREAT SCHOLAR IN OUR COMMUNITY, BUT I DON'T THINK HE'S

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1 FINISHED HIS SCHOLARSHIP WORK. BUT ANYONE WHO KNOWS HIM AND
2 HAS FOLLOWED THE WORK, YOU KNOW WITHOUT QUESTION THAT HIS
3 DEPARTURE IS A GREAT LOSS IN HIGHER EDUCATION AS WELL AS THE
4 INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY EVERYWHERE, PARTICULARLY THOSE PEOPLE
5 WHO HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN THE ISSUE OF RACE AND MEDIA
6 THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. IT TAKES A DEDICATED SCHOLAR LIKE DR.
7 GUTIERREZ. HE HAS STUDIED SPECIFICALLY THE EXTENT OF RACISM
8 AND SEXISM IN THE MEDIA. HE HAS ANALYZED RAMIFICATIONS OF THIS
9 KIND OF ROLE AND BIAS THAT IT HAS ON OUR SOCIETY, AND HE HAS
10 ALSO USED THIS KNOWLEDGE TO EDUCATE ALL OF THE JOURNALISTS OUT
11 THERE HOW TO PRESENT MORE BASICALLY EQUALLY ACROSS THE WAY,
12 ALTHOUGH I DON'T THINK YOU'VE GOTTEN TO EVERYONE. YOU HAVE A
13 GREAT DEAL OF WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. BUT HE IS CERTAINLY
14 ONE OF THE SCHOLARS THAT WE ARE PROUD OF FROM OUR COMMUNITY.
15 IT IS INDEED AN HONOR TO RECOGNIZE YOU TODAY, AND I HOPE THAT
16 YOU RECOGNIZE AND UNDERSTAND THE APPRECIATION THAT WE HAVE FOR
17 YOU. I HAVE BEEN HONORED TO HAVE MANY OF YOUR STUDENTS COME
18 AND WORK FOR ME. AND THEY HAVE DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB.
19 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. AND ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **DR. FELIX GUTIERREZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS
22 YAROSLAVSKY AND MOLINA. AND, MIKE, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN.
23 WE SPENT THREE YEARS TOGETHER ON THE CAL STATE L.A. BOARD OF
24 DIRECTORS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT. WE VOTED THE SAME ON MOST
25 CAMPUS ISSUES. OUR VIEWS ON OFF CAMPUS ISSUES WERE

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1 SUFFICIENTLY DIFFERENT THAT OUR RADIO STATION INTERVIEWED US
2 ABOUT THREE OR FOUR INTERVIEWS EXTENSIVE ABOUT HOW STUDENTS
3 WERE SEEING THINGS DIFFERENTLY THINGS OVER THE YEARS. I
4 CONGRATULATE YOU, TOO, ON YOUR LONG CAREER. HE PREPARED FOR A
5 CAREER IN GOVERNMENT AND I IN JOURNALISM AND I THINK WE BOTH
6 DID OKAY. [APPLAUSE.] AND MY WIFE MARIA ELENA ALSO OUT OF EAST
7 L.A., WHERE DID SHE GO? OUT OF MARAVILLA IN EAST L.A. AND WE
8 MET AT CAL STATE L.A. WHO HAS BEEN A PARTNER AND SUPPORTER IN
9 ALL OF THESE WONDERFUL THINGS. MY ONLY LAST WORD WOULD BE THAT
10 WE HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO IN MEDIA. AND I THINK MY MOST
11 IMPORTANT WORK HAS BEEN NOT SO MUCH AS A SCHOLAR AND AS A
12 TEACHER BUT AS AN ADVOCATE FOR DIVERSITY FOR THE HIRING AND
13 PROMOTION OF PEOPLE OF ALL COLORS, SEXUAL ORIENTATIONS, WOMEN
14 AND MEN ALIKE, SO THAT WE COULD HAVE A TRULY DIVERSE MEDIA
15 REFLECTING ALL THE VIEWS OF THE PEOPLE THAT WE HAVE HERE. AND
16 I THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING THIS WORK AND
17 WE KNOW THAT THIS WORK CONTINUES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
18 [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ONCE AGAIN WE'RE GOING TO
21 RECOGNIZE INSURANCE FRAUD AWARENESS MONTH. WE HELD A PRESS
22 CONFERENCE A FEW WEEKS AGO. WE INSURE OUR HOMES, OUR CARS, AND
23 EVEN OURSELVES, AND OBVIOUSLY THAT CREATES A HUGE BILLION-
24 DOLLAR INDUSTRY THAT IMPACTS JUST ABOUT EVERY ASPECT OF OUR
25 LIVES, AND WHEN THAT MUCH MONEY IS INVOLVED, THAT CREATES

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1 OPPORTUNITIES FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE
2 ELDERLY, THOSE THAT MAY NOT SPEAK ENGLISH OR OTHER VERY
3 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. THAT'S WHY THE BOARD HAS DECLARED THE
4 MONTH OF JUNE INSURANCE FRAUD AWARENESS MONTH. WE DIRECTED OUR
5 COMMISSION ON INSURANCE TO WORK WITH OUR DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER
6 AFFAIRS, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE STATE COMMISSION ON
7 INSURANCE TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS TO
8 COMBAT INSURANCE FRAUD. SO, PEOPLE SHOULD FEEL CONFIDENT WHEN
9 THEY ARE TAKING STEPS TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AND THEIR
10 FAMILIES. AND WE NEED TO STOP THESE SCAM ARTISTS WHO ARE
11 TAKING ADVANTAGE OF PEOPLE JUST TRYING TO DO THE RIGHT THING.
12 SO I'D LIKE TO THANK MY APPOINTEES AND THE ENTIRE COMMISSION
13 FOR THEIR HARD WORK ON THIS ISSUE AND WE'LL PRESENT THIS
14 SCROLL ON BEHALF OF NOT ONLY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUT THE
15 10 MILLION RESIDENTS THAT YOU REPRESENT ON THE INSURANCE
16 COMMISSION AND ALL OF US. SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SCOTT SVONKIN:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, I'M SCOTT SVONKIN, CHAIRMAN
19 OF THE COMMISSION AND I'M HONORED TO SERVE WITH ALL OF THESE
20 MEMBERS. I WANT TO THANK HELENE LOHR, YOUR APPOINTEE WHO
21 CHAIRED THE INSURANCE FRAUD AWARENESS MONTH. I WANT TO REMIND
22 ALL OF THE CONSUMERS IN L.A. COUNTY THAT FRAUD AFFECTS YOU,
23 YOU AND I AND EVERYBODY IN THE COUNTY PAYS FOR IT. AND SO IF
24 YOU SEE SOMETHING THAT'S NOT RIGHT, YOU CAN CALL IF CALIFORNIA
25 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE. YOU CAN GO TO OUR WEBSITE LACIC.ORG

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1 WHERE YOU CAN GET MORE INFORMATION. I WANT TO THANK THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS FOR ALL THEIR HELP. I WANT TO
3 THANK YOUR STAFF, SUPERVISOR KNABE. I WANT TO THANK ALL THE
4 SUPERVISORS. I WOULDN'T BE HERE FOR OVER 12 YEARS AS CHAIR OF
5 THIS INCREDIBLE COMMISSION FIGHTING FOR CONSUMERS IF IT WASN'T
6 FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND
7 ALLOWING ME TO HELP FIGHT FOR CONSUMERS TO PROTECT THEM. AND I
8 WANT TO THANK VICE CHAIRMAN BAUMAN AND ALL OF OUR MEMBERS FOR
9 THEIR SUPPORT. WE ARE THE FIRST MAJOR COUNTY IN THE UNITED
10 STATES, WITH YOUR SUPPORT, SUPERVISOR, TO DECLARE INSURANCE
11 FRAUD AWARENESS MONTH, AND WE HOPE THAT EVERY COUNTY IN THE
12 COUNTRY FOLLOWS YOUR LEAD AND THAT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
13 AND EDUCATES CONSUMERS THAT FRAUD COSTS THEM. THANK YOU.
14 [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS, IT'S A REAL PLEASURE
19 TO INTRODUCE AGAIN A FRIEND OF ALL OF OURS, AND THAT'S A GREAT
20 MAN, A GREAT LEADER, AND THAT'S STEVEN MILLER, WHO HAS BEEN
21 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR TIERRA DEL SOL FOUNDATION FOR THE
22 PAST 24 YEARS. HE'S ALSO BEEN MY APPOINTEE TO THE L.A. COUNTY
23 COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES, WHERE HE'S SERVED WITH
24 DISTINCTION. AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF TIERRA DEL SOL SINCE
25 1990, HE ESTABLISHED EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS LEADING

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1 TO EMPLOYMENT AND INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR PEOPLE WITH
2 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, TIERRA DEL
3 SOL HAS GROWN TO MORE THAN 500 MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SAN
4 FERNANDO VALLEY, NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SAN GABRIEL, POMONA
5 AND PORTIONS OF THE INLAND EMPIRE. WITH STEVE TODAY ARE HIS
6 DAUGHTER WIFE CATHY AND DAUGHTER BECKA, BRIAN, FUTURE SON-IN-
7 LAW ALSO FROM TIERRA DEL SOL AND ANDREW HUGLAR THE CHAIRMAN
8 AND REBECCA LINEHEART INCOMING C.E.O. SO, STEVE, IT'S ALWAYS
9 BEEN A PLEASURE. MY STAFF AND I HAVE ENJOYED WORKING WITH
10 STEVE. HE'S ALWAYS COME UP WITH GOOD SUGGESTIONS, GOOD
11 CORRECTIONS, GOOD LEADERSHIP, AND FINDING THE BEST WAY OF
12 SERVING THIS COMMUNITY WITH DISTINCTION AND WITH INTEGRITY AND
13 PROFESSIONALISM. SO, STEVE, PLEASE STAY INVOLVED. AND WE
14 APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **STEVE MILLER:** WELL, IN TRUTH, I'M JUST A STAFF GUY. IT'S BEEN
17 A PLEASURE. IT'S BEEN AN HONOR TO SERVE AS THE CHIEF STAFF
18 PERSON TO A MARVELOUS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION, THE TIERRA DEL
19 SOL FOUNDATION. THE REAL HEROES ARE VOLUNTEER BOARD MEMBERS,
20 PEOPLE WHO DECIDE TO GIVE OF THEIR OWN TIME TO MAKE A BETTER
21 COMMUNITY, AND THAT'S PERSONIFIED BY OUR CHAIR, ANDREW KUGLER
22 AND THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS IN THE AUDIENCE, KAREN MCLANIHAN,
23 JAN MESITA AND KELLY BRUNO MADE TIME TODAY. THEY'RE HEROES
24 BECAUSE THEY'VE DECIDED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY.
25 I'M ALSO HONORED TO HAVE A NUMBER OF THE STAFF PEOPLE FROM THE

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1 TIERRA DEL SOL FOUNDATION WHO WORK TIRELESSLY AND WITHOUT
2 RECOGNITION TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE. I'VE ALSO BEEN
3 SUPPORTED AND ACTUALLY HAD A FANTASTIC ROLE MODEL IN MY WIFE
4 KATIE, WHO IS BEHIND ME RIGHT HERE, WHO AS AN EDUCATOR HAS
5 ALWAYS SOUGHT OUT THE KIDS WHO NEEDED THE MOST HELP AND FOUND
6 WAYS TO BRING OUT THE BEST IN THEM. ULTIMATELY, THOUGH,
7 EVERYTHING WE DO IS ABOUT HELPING OUR COMMUNITY RECOGNIZE THE
8 TALENTS, THE GIFTS -- THE GIFTS THAT EVERY MEMBER OF OUR
9 COMMUNITY HAS. AND WE NEED EVERY MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY. I'M
10 GOING TO ASK -- I WANT TO INTRODUCE YOU TO SOMEBODY WHO IS A
11 FANTASTIC ARTIST AND A COMMUNITY SERVANT WHO HAS VOLUNTEERED
12 AT ANIMAL SHELTERS WHEN SHE'S NOT CREATING WORKS OF ART THAT
13 IF YOU HAVE NOT SEEN, YOU NEED TO SEE -- AND YOU WILL.
14 EVERYTHING THAT WE DO IS TO HELP PEOPLE LIKE SURIT SHOW WHO
15 THEY REALLY ARE AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY. AND HONESTLY
16 IF IT WASN'T FOR THE HELP OF OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE ART
17 PROGRAMS THAT WE OPERATE WOULD NOT EXIST ANY LONGER. AND I
18 REALLY DO NEED TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WHEN THE NEED
19 CAME, YOU SPOKE UP AND USED YOUR OFFICES AND HELPED OUR ART
20 PROGRAMS CONTINUE WHEN GOVERNMENT FUNDING WAS CUT. SO I KNOW
21 I'VE PROBABLY GONE ON LONGER THAN I SHOULD HAVE. IT'S AN
22 OPPORTUNITY TO THANK EVERYBODY THAT REALLY OUGHT TO BE UP HERE
23 AND GET THANKS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]
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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANOTHER REALLY GOOD FRIEND AS WELL FROM THE
2 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY IS JIM VENTRESS WHO IS ALSO RETIRING
3 AFTER 29 YEARS WITH THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY BOYS AND GIRLS'
4 CLUB. WE APPRECIATE ALL YOUR SUPPORT. JIM HAS BEEN THERE SINCE
5 THE BEGINNING. I'VE KNOWN HIM MANY, MANY YEARS, WE BOTH SERVED
6 IN THE ARMY ABOUT THE SAME TIME, AS WELL. WE HAD SOME OLD
7 PICTURES HE'S SHOWN AND WE LOOKED A LOT DIFFERENT THEN THAN WE
8 DO TODAY. BUT, ANYWAY, JIM BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE BOYS AND
9 GIRLS CLUB IN 1985. AT THAT TIME THE CLUB OPERATED A SATELLITE
10 LOCATION AND SERVED 600 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB. AND THROUGH HIS
11 VISION AND LEADERSHIP, THEY WENT FROM THE 600 TO TODAY OVER
12 3,500 BOYS AND GIRLS. THEY HAVE A \$1.2 MILLION, 1,200 SQUARE-
13 FOOT BUILDING -- 20,000 SQUARE-FOOT BUILDING, CLUBHOUSE AT
14 NEWHALL PARK. HE BUILT A \$6.2 MILLION 27,000 SQUARE FOOT
15 CLUBHOUSE AT SIERRA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL, NOW CALLED MIDDLE
16 SCHOOL. L.A. COUNTY REALLY APPRECIATES HIS LEADERSHIP. HE'S
17 INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. HE'S AT ALL THE VARIOUS COMMUNITY
18 ORGANIZATIONS WHEN WE HAD THE VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALL, HE WAS
19 THERE STANDING RIGHT NEXT TO THAT WALL. WE BOTH HAD FRIENDS
20 WHO ARE ON THAT WALL. BUT, JIM, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
21 AND YOUR PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP OVER THE VARIOUS MANY YEARS THAT
22 WE SERVED TOGETHER. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **JIM VENTRESS:** I WOULD LIKE TO SAY I'VE BEEN HONORED TO SERVE
25 THE YOUNG PEOPLE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK

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1 THE SUPERVISORS FOR SUPPORTING THE 26 ORGANIZATIONS IN L.A.
2 COUNTY. AND PARTICULARLY TO MIKE, BECAUSE YOU SUPPORTED ME
3 WHEN I WAS AT THE SALESIAN BOYS CLUB PRIOR TO GOING TO SANTA
4 CLARITA. AND YOU'VE CONTINUED TO SUPPORT THE AFTER SCHOOL
5 PROGRAMS IN SANTA CLARITA. YOUNG PEOPLE ARE 100 PERCENT OF THE
6 FUTURE. WE JUST HAVE TO CONTINUE TO GIVE THEM HOPE AND
7 OPPORTUNITIES, PARTICULARLY THE KIDS IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL. AND
8 AS THEY GRADUATE FROM CAL STATE L.A., I THINK THEY'RE GOING TO
9 ASK MORE MONEY AT THE ALUMNI CLUB. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** STEVE MILLER AND JIM VENTRESS ARE TWO GREAT
12 LEADERS FROM THE SAN FERNANDO AND SANTA CLARITA VALLIES. IT'S
13 A PLEASURE TO HONOR YOU TODAY. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE A LITTLE
14 SIX-YEAR-OLD LONG HAIREd CHIHUAHUA. HER NAME IS PEGGY. AND
15 THIS IS LITTLE PEGGY. SHE'S LOOKING FOR A LITTLE HOME. AND YOU
16 CAN SEE SHE WORE HER NICE LITTLE BOWS TODAY BECAUSE SHE'S A
17 PRETTY LITTLE GIRL LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO ANYBODY WHO WOULD
18 LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE PEGGY, YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610. AND
19 PEGGY COMES WITH THE BOWS.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN, ON THIS ONE I'M GOING TO
24 ASK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY TO JOIN ME. AND I HAVE A COUPLE OF
25 PEOPLE HERE TO WELCOME. WELL IT'S AN HONOR THIS MORNING TO

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1 MAKE A PRESENTATION TO A DEAR FRIEND AND THAT'S OUR VERY OWN
2 RODRI RERODRIGUEZ AND SHE TODAY AND EVERYONE IS CELEBRATING AS
3 THEY CALL IT A SILVER ANNIVERSARY, I GUESS IT'S CALLED. IT'S
4 BECAUSE MARIACHI U.S.A. HAS BEEN PERFORMING ALL THAT TIME AT
5 THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL AND DOING A TREMENDOUS JOB. CERTAINLY I
6 DON'T THINK THAT AS A CHILD BEING RAISED IN HAVANA, CUBA, THAT
7 RODRI HAD ANY IDEA THAT THIS IS WHAT SHE WOULD GROW UP TO BE.
8 BUT SHE HAS BEEN AN UNBELIEVABLE ADVOCATE FOR ALL KINDS OF
9 ARTS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND HAS PROVIDED UNBELIEVABLE LEADERSHIP
10 ROLE. I KNOW THAT MY COLLEAGUE ZEV YAROSLAVSKY IS ALSO PROUD
11 OF THE EFFORT THAT SHE HAS MADE AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL IN
12 BRINGING MARIACHI MUSIC TO THIS GREAT VENUE THAT SELLS OUT
13 EVERY SINGLE YEAR. SHE HAS BEEN PRODUCING MARIACHI U.S.A.
14 THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. SHE BRINGS THE SOUNDS OF MARIACHI NOT
15 ONLY TO HOLLYWOOD BOWL BUT ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AND WE'RE VERY
16 PROUD OF THE WORK THAT SHE DOES ALL OF THE TIME. MARIACHI
17 U.S.A. HAS SHOWCASED THOUSANDS OF MARIACHI BANDS FROM U.S.A.
18 AND MEXICO, ALONG WITH A TRADITIONAL FOLKLORIC DANCES THAT GO
19 WITH IT. AND IT'S USUALLY UNDER GREAT HALO OF FIREWORKS WHICH
20 IS ALWAYS ENJOYABLE AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. SHE IS CERTAINLY A
21 PIONEER IN OUR COMMUNITY AND A VISIONARY. SHE HAS ALSO HAD
22 VARIOUS PRODUCTIONS IN OTHER AREAS, AND IT'S PART OF THE
23 ENTERTAINMENT WORK THAT SHE DOES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. BUT
24 WE ARE VERY PROUD. AND WE WANT TO DEDICATE TODAY AND
25 ACKNOWLEDGE THIS GREAT 25TH ANNIVERSARY AND RODRI, THE LEADER

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1 OF THIS GREAT, GREAT ENTERTAINMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT IS
2 SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN WONDERFUL TO LOS ANGELES THAT SHE'S
3 BEEN ABLE TO BRING. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE LEADERSHIP SHE
4 HAS PROVIDED AND MY HONOR TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION. BUT
5 BEFORE WE MAKE THAT PRESENTATION, I'D LIKE TO ASK MY COLLEAGUE
6 ZEV YAROSLAVSKY TO SHARE A FEW WORDS.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME YOU
9 HERE AND AGAIN TO WELCOME YOU TO THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL THIS
10 SEASON. IT IS A GREAT CELEBRATION WHEN MARIACHI MUSIC COMES TO
11 THE BOWL. IT ALWAYS DOES SELL OUT. AND IT'S A REAL PARTY. AND
12 IT PAYS TO REMEMBER THAT MARIACHI MUSIC WAS AROUND IN SOUTHERN
13 CALIFORNIA A LONG TIME BEFORE STRAVINSKY, BRAHMS, WAGNER. IT
14 IS AN INDIGENOUS, AS INDIGENOUS A MUSIC AS THERE IS TO
15 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND MY BET IS THAT I PROBABLY WAS EXPOSED
16 TO MARIACHI MUSIC BEFORE I WAS EXPOSED TO ANY OTHER KIND OF
17 MUSIC IN SCHOOL IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. SO IT'S AN HONOR TO HAVE YOU
18 AT THE BOWL AGAIN THIS YEAR. WE LOOK FORWARD TO A GREAT PARTY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** CONGRATULATIONS. LET'S MAKE THIS PRESENTATION.
21 COME UP AND JOIN US FOR A PICTURE.

22

23 **RODRI RODRIGUEZ:** I'M VERY DANGEROUS WITH A MICROPHONE.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S WHY I SAID A FEW WORDS. [LAUGHTER.]

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2 **RODRI RODRIGUEZ:** FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY SHARE
3 THIS WITH OUR COMMUNITY BECAUSE IT IS DUE TO OUR COMMUNITY
4 THAT WE HAVE BEEN A 25-YEAR OVERNIGHT SUCCESS. GREATNESS DOES
5 NOT HAPPEN ALONE. AND SO I FIRST WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE AN
6 AMAZING TEAM THAT I HAVE. NOT ALL OF THEM ARE HERE, BUT THIS
7 IS THE CORE OF WHO WE ARE. MY DIRECTOR ANTHONY MEDRANO WHO IS
8 FROM SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. IT'S INTERESTING BECAUSE AS I TELL
9 YOU ABOUT WHERE THESE PEOPLE ARE FROM, IT'S TRULY INDICATIVE
10 AND REFLECTS THE AMAZING MELTING POT THAT WE HAVE HERE. WE
11 HAVE A BOLIVIANA CARLA LATA, WHO IS FROM BOLIVIA. OUR TICKET
12 MANAGER, IF ANY OF YOU HAVE BOUGHT TICKETS AT MARIACHI U.S.A.
13 HAPPENS TO BEVANESSA ILLIANA AND ILLIANA MAYDRIS, DON'T GRAB
14 HER RIGHT NOW. NEW ON OUR TEAM IS AN AMAZING YOUNG LADY WHO IS
15 DOING SOCIAL MEDIA AND THAT'S AND THAT ANNABELLE NOVELLE. AND
16 IT GOES ON AND ON AND ON. OUR PYROCOMPANY, THE AMAZING IATSE
17 UNION WHO HAS BEEN WITH US FOR 25 YEARS OUT OF THE HOLLYWOOD
18 BOWL. AMAZING HOLLYWOOD BOWL STAFF AS YOU KNOW IT IS OWNED BY
19 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. BRIEFLY I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT THE
20 THOUSANDS OF MARIACHIS THAT HAVE PLAYED AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL,
21 MANY OF WHICH NEVER IMAGINED THAT THEY WOULD BECOME VIRTUOSOS
22 TO BE ABLE TO PERFORM THERE, AND YET THEY HAVE DONE SO FOR 25
23 YEARS. OUR MISSION IS VERY SIMPLE. WE ARE THE HEART OF THE
24 HOLLYWOOD BOWL. WE ARE PRIVILEGED TO HAVE THE MANDATE OF
25 ENTERTAINING OUR CITY AND TO NOURISH OUR KIDS' SPIRIT. THROUGH

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1 OUR FOUNDATION WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO EDUCATE WITH AFTER SCHOOL
2 PROGRAMS SO THAT WHAT YOU SEE NOW IN WHO HOLLYWOOD BOWL STAGE
3 ARE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN STUDYING FOR THE LAST 25 YEARS. AND
4 SO WE ARE GROWING OUR AUDIENCE AS WELL AS WE ARE GROWING OUR
5 MUSICIANS. WE ARE MERE GUARDIANS OF A LEGACY, MARIACHI MUSIC,
6 A LEGACY THAT IS VERY MUCH CENTERED IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND IT
7 REPRESENTS FAMILY PRIDE AND TRADITION. WE HOPE IF YOU HAVE NOT
8 EXPERIENCED MARIACHI U.S.A. THAT YOU DO SO AND EXPERIENCE
9 ALMOST FIVE HOURS OF UNBRIDLED PASSION OF TERMINATING, ENDING,
10 ACTUALLY, WITH EVERYONE IF YOU COULD IMAGINE THOUSANDS OF
11 PEOPLE SINGING "VOLVER". THE ARTISTS THAT WE HAVE ARE NOT STAR
12 DRAW POWER, BUT WHAT BRINGS IT TOGETHER IS THE SYNERGY OF OUR
13 COMMUNITY THAT SHOWS UP AND THE AMAZING TALENT OF EVERY SINGLE
14 ONE OF THOSE MUSICIANS THAT IS VERY PROUD TO BE AN ANGELINO.
15 AND WE DO HAVE THE LARGEST NUMBER OF MARIACHIS LIVING OUTSIDE
16 OF MEXICO. SO LOS ANGELES, BE PROUD. BE VERY PROUD. BECAUSE
17 OUR CHILDREN ARE LEARNING, ARE LEARNING TO PROUDLY STEP ON THE
18 STAGE OF THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL AND BECOME PATRONS OF THE
19 HOLLYWOOD BOWL. THE ARTS AND MUSIC PROGRAM AND OUR CITY WILL
20 BE ENDLESS AND LIVE ON FOREVER. MUCHAS GRACIAS, THANK YOU. OH,
21 IT'S THIS SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH. AND MEXICO DOESN'T PLAY UNTIL
22 SUNDAY. SO YOU CAN ALL COME OUT, ALL RIGHT? [LAUGHTER.]
23 GRACIAS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ONE MORE THING, ONE MORE THING
24 BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO LOSE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO APPLAUD, AND
25 HAIL A WOMAN THAT MARIACHI U.S.A. CHOSE AS WOMAN OF THE YEAR.

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1 SHE HAS NOW SERVED HER CITY AND IS NOW TO SERVE HERSELF AND
2 PRACTICE LOTS OF SELF-LOVE AND SELF-CARING. SO MARIACHI U.S.A.
3 PROUDLY APPLAUDS A WOMAN OF CONSCIENCE AND A WOMAN OF HER CITY
4 AND HER CONSTITUENTS, AND GLORIA WE HOLD YOU IN HIGH ESTEEM.
5 THANK YOU FOR ALL THE SUPPORT THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN THE ARTS IN
6 OUR CITY. YOU CLEARLY UNDERSTAND WHAT WE ARE GROUNDED IN AND
7 THE CENTER OF OUR HEART IS TRULY FAMILY PRIDE AND TRADITION.
8 GRACIAS. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING
11 ITEMS. ITEM 1.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** FOR ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY
14 BEFORE THE BOARD PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE
15 SWORN IN ON ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8? THESE ARE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS
16 TODAY. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU
17 SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING
18 BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.
19 ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE LEVY AND COLLECTION
20 OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT
21 DISTRICT NO.S 1, 2 AND 4 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014/'15 AND ALL
22 ZONES IDENTIFIED IN THE 2014/'15 ENGINEERS REPORT AT THE SAME
23 RATE EXCEPT FOR DISTRICT NO. 2, ZONE 37, CASTAIC, HILLCREST
24 AND ZONE 43, ROWLAND HEIGHTS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014. THERE IS

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1 A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND
2 THERE IS A SPEAKER ON THIS ITEM.

3

4 **WARREN LEARY:** GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS WARREN LEARY. I'M THE
5 ACTING ADMINISTRATOR FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT
6 OF PARKS AND RECREATION. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS
7 FOR THE LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015
8 WITHIN LANDSCAPING LIGHTING ACT DISTRICT NO. 1, 2 AND 4 AT
9 THEIR EXISTING LEVELS FOR ALL ZONES EXCEPT FOR PROPOSED
10 INCREASES IN DISTRICT NO. 2, ZONE 37, CASTAIC HILLCREST, AND
11 DISTRICT NO. 2, ZONE 43, ROWLAND HEIGHTS. IN MY OPINION, ALL
12 OF THE AREAS WITHIN THE LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 1,
13 2 AND 4 WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. IN
14 MY OPINION, THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE DISTRICTS FOR
15 WHICH NO INCREASES ARE PROPOSED CONTINUE TO BE SPREAD IN
16 PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. IN MY OPINION, THE PROPOSED INCREASES
17 IN ZONE 37 AND 43 OF DISTRICT NO. 2 ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO
18 KEEP ALL ONGOING SERVICES AND MAINTENANCE OF THE LOCAL
19 LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS FULLY OPERATIONAL AND AS INCREASED WILL
20 BE SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO
21 WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED LEVY OF THE ANNUAL
22 ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPING LIGHTING ACT DISTRICTS NO. 1, 2
23 AND 4. IN THE EVENT ANY OF THE PROPOSED INCREASES IN THE TWO
24 IDENTIFIED ZONES RECEIVED A MAJORITY PROTEST, WE ARE

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1 RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD IMPOSE THE ASSESSMENTS IN SUCH
2 ZONES AT THEIR EXISTING LEVELS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 AND 2014.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY QUESTIONS? THANK YOU. WE HAVE
5 ONE SPEAKER. JULIE BIERECK? I HOPE I DIDN'T BUTCHER THE NAME
6 TOO BAD?

7

8 **JULIE BIERECK:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JULIE BIERECK AND I AM
9 A HOMEOWNER IN HILLCREST PARK. I UNDERSTAND THIS HEARING IS
10 FOR RESIDENTS TO OBJECT TO OR PROTEST THE ASSESSMENT INCREASE.
11 I ACTUALLY AM IN FAVOR OF THE INCREASE BUT I AM HERE TODAY TO
12 QUESTION THE VALIDITY OF THE BALLOT. I HAVE BEEN VOTING FOR
13 MANY YEARS. EVERY BALLOT I RECEIVED IN THE MAIL WAS CLEAR AND
14 STRAIGHTFORWARD. I KNEW WHAT A YES VOTE MEANT AND WHAT A NO
15 VOTE MEANT. THIS WAS NOT THE CASE WITH THE BALLOT MAILED TO
16 THE RESIDENTS OF HILLCREST PARK. THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT
17 INFORMATION INCLUDED WITH THIS BALLOT FOR RESIDENTS TO MAKE AN
18 INFORMED CHOICE. THERE WAS NO MENTION THAT A NO VOTE MEANT
19 SERVICE WOULD BE REDUCED AND EASEMENT PROPERTIES WOULD BECOME
20 THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HOMEOWNER. I WAS SHOCKED AT HOW
21 UNINFORMATIVE THE BALLOT WAS. WHEN I CALLED THE LOCAL COUNTY
22 OFFICE TO DISCUSS MY CONCERN, I WAS TOLD THAT THERE ARE STRICT
23 GUIDELINES THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED WITH BALLOTS AND THAT ONLY
24 TRUE FACTS COULD BE INCLUDED. I WAS TOLD THAT THE INFORMATION
25 ABOUT THE SERVICE REDUCTIONS AND PROPERTIES BECOMING THE

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1 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HOMEOWNER WAS A PROPOSAL AND THEREFORE
2 COULD NOT BE INCLUDED. HOWEVER, THE INFORMATION SENT TO
3 HILLCREST PARK RESIDENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR PLAINLY
4 STATE, AND I QUOTE, "IN THE EVENT THAT THE COMMUNITY DOES NOT
5 APPROVE THE INCREASE IN THE ASSESSMENT, THE AREAS TO BE
6 MAINTAINED WILL BE REDUCED TO ALLOW THE DISTRICT TO MAINTAIN
7 ONLY HILLCREST DRIVE AND RELINQUISH THE MAINTENANCE OF
8 REMAINING AREAS TO RESIDENTS OF THE HILLCREST COMMUNITY."
9 CLEARLY THESE WERE FACTS THAT HAD BEEN DECIDED, NOT PROPOSED.
10 AND THIS INFORMATION SHOULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED WITH THE
11 BALLOT. THERE ARE HUGE RAMIFICATIONS TO A NO VOTE, YET
12 RESIDENTS WERE NOT MADE AWARE OF THEM. I AM A HOMEOWNER WITH
13 EASEMENT PROPERTY. HAD I NOT ATTENDED THE COMMUNITY MEETING
14 AND PAID ATTENTION TO A FLYER THAT CAME MORE THAN THREE MONTHS
15 IN ADVANCE OF THE BALLOT IN AN ENVELOPE THAT COULD HAVE BEEN
16 VIEWED AS JUNK MAIL, I MAY HAVE VOTED NO. THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY
17 NOTHING IN THE BALLOT TO LET ME KNOW THAT IF I VOTED NO AND
18 THE MEASURE DID NOT PASS, I WOULD NOT ONLY BE PAYING THE
19 CURRENT FEES, BUT I WOULD ALSO BE INCURRING THE EXPENSE OF
20 MAINTAINING A HUGE HILL BEHIND MY HOME. I WORKED TO SPREAD THE
21 WORD ABOUT THIS VOTE, AND I ASSUMED RESIDENTS WOULD BE GIVEN
22 ENOUGH INFORMATION TO MAKE AN EDUCATED CHOICE. REGARDLESS OF
23 WHICH WAY THEY VOTED. IN MY OPINION, THIS IS NOT A VALID
24 BALLOT BECAUSE RESIDENTS WERE NOT GIVEN SUFFICIENT
25 INFORMATION. AND I'M ASKING FOR A LEGAL REVIEW OF THE BALLOT.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. COUNTY COUNSEL, DO YOU HAVE A
3 RESPONSE?

4

5 **LARRY HAFETZ, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, WHILE I UNDERSTAND THE
6 CONCERNS RAISED BY THE TESTIFIER, THE BALLOT IS LEGALLY
7 SUFFICIENT. WE CERTAINLY IN THE FUTURE CAN LOOK AT THE
8 LANGUAGE AND HOW IT'S SET FORTH IN FUTURE BALLOTS, BUT I DON'T
9 THINK THERE'S AN INFIRMITY WITH THIS BALLOT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?
12 MIKE?

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. HOPEFULLY LESSONS LEARNED
17 FROM OUR OTHER LITTLE FIASCO THAT WE HAD COUNTY-WIDE ON THESE
18 BALLOTS AND WHAT THEY LOOK LIKE. I MEAN, MY ISSUE'S ALWAYS
19 BEEN THAT THEY'RE CLEARLY IDENTIFIABLE AS A BALLOT, THAT THEY
20 DON'T LOOK LIKE JUNK MAIL. I'D LIKE AT LEAST FOR SOMEONE TO
21 LOOK AT WHAT HER ISSUE IS. I UNDERSTAND -- MA'AM, I UNDERSTAND
22 YOUR TESTIMONY, BUT IT'S A DIFFICULT PROCESS TO UNWIND. SO,
23 AGAIN, IF WE'RE GETTING BACK TO WHERE WE WERE, TRUST ME, I
24 WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE THAT.

25

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1 **LARRY HAFETZ:** UNDERSTOOD, SUPERVISOR. AND WE WILL WORK WITH
2 THE DEPARTMENTS ON THE BALLOT ISSUES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MA'AM. ALL RIGHT.
5 MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
8 BOARD, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE
9 PUBLIC HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE
10 ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND
11 ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL MOVE TO SUPERVISOR
14 ANTONOVICH MOVES TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE WILL SET THE
15 ITEM ON THE TABLE TO TABULATE THE BALLOTS. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS
18 THE HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING
19 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687, LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND
20 LIGHTING ACT-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONES 1, 4 AND 5. ON THIS ITEM
21 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT, NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS
22 RECEIVED.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DEPARTMENT STATEMENT?

25

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1 **JAMES CHUN:** MORNING. MY NAME IS JAMES CHUN AND I AM THE HEAD
2 OF STREET LIGHTING SECTION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
3 I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO
4 COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
5 DISTRICT LLA-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AND A LEVYING AND
6 COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE PETITIONS IDENTIFIED IN
7 THE BOARD LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
8 OF CHARTER OAK, LOS NIETOS, AND GORMAN. IN MY OPINION THE
9 PETITION AREAS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE
10 SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAD BEEN
11 SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE IS NO
12 MAJORITY PROTEST, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT
13 THE RECOMMENDATION TO ANNEX, LEVY THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS AND
14 ACCEPT NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR THE
15 NONEXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS, STAFF, THIS
18 POINT? HAS ANYONE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY?

19

20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON THIS ITEM, MR. CHAIRMAN, AGAIN,
25 THIS IS AN ITEM THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO

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1 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND
2 TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR TABULATION
3 RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. THE
6 ITEM IS PUT ON THE TABLE. ITEM NO. 3, PLEASE?

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THIS IS THE HEARING ON
9 THE SEWER SERVICES CHARGE ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR
10 2014/'15 FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, THE
11 MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, THE CUMULATIVE CAPITAL
12 OUTLAY FUND AND THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT
13 ZONE. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS
14 RECEIVED. AND THERE IS A FEW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON
15 IT.

16

17 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU, I'M A SENIOR
18 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
19 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL SERVICE
20 CHARGE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED AND MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE
21 DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015. THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE
22 RISK FOR THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT CUMULATIVE
23 OUTLAY FUND AND THE NINE SPECIAL ZONES OF THE CONSOLIDATED
24 SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT WILL REMAIN AT THEIR FISCAL YEAR
25 2013/2014 LEVELS. FULLY INCREASE IN SEWER SERVICE CHARGES IN

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1 2014/2015 WOULD BE A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ANNUAL INCREASE OF \$3
2 PER SEWAGE UNIT IN THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE
3 DISTRICT. ON MAY 22, 2012, AFTER REQUIRED NOTICE, PUBLIC
4 HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF ALL PROTESTS. THE BOARD APPROVED
5 AN INCREASE IN ANNUAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR CONSOLIDATED
6 SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT BY \$3 PER SEWAGE UNIT FOR EACH OF
7 THE FOLLOWING THREE FISCAL YEARS. FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015, THIS
8 CHARGE WILL BE RAISED FROM \$38.50 TO \$41.50. THE REPORTS ON
9 THESE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WAS PREPARED BY MY OFFICE AND
10 UNDER MY DIRECTION. IN MY OPINION, THESE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES
11 HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED. IN MY OPINION, IT IS IN PUBLIC
12 INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT THE ENTIRE SEWER SERVICE
13 CHARGES BECAUSE ON THE TAX ROLL BECAUSE IT PROVIDES FOR THE
14 MOST ORDERLY AND COST-EFFECTIVE COLLECTION OF SEWER CHARGES
15 FROM THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF? IF
18 NOT, WE HAVE SOME FOLKS SIGNED UP. ARNOLD SACHS. DANIEL
19 GOTTLIEB. ERIC PREVEN.

20

21 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ERIC PREVEN,
22 COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT NO. 3. THIS IS NO. 3, CORRECT?
23 COOL. YES. SUPERVISOR KNABE ONCE INFORMED ME CORRECTLY THAT
24 THE INCREASE FOR THE GROUP THAT'S HAVING A \$3 INCREASE, WHICH
25 IS THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, IS DIFFERENT

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1 THAN THE MARINA DEL REY DISTRICT. THAT DISTRICT IS \$190 FLAT
2 AND THERE'S NO INCREASE. THE \$3 IS ON THE LARGER SET OF
3 TERRITORIES. AND OBVIOUSLY THAT'S BECAUSE OF PROBABLY THE
4 UNIQUE NEEDS. ONE CONCERN WITH HEARING ITEM NO. 1, WHICH WAS A
5 LITTLE EARLIER, BUT INFORMS THIS DISCUSSION, IS I DON'T THINK
6 FOLKS HAVE A GOOD, CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WE'RE GETTING
7 FROM THIS OTHERWISE THE WAY THE SEWAGE WORKS SO WELL WHICH
8 WE'RE PLEASED ABOUT. HEARING ITEM NUMBER ONE JUST POINT OF
9 INQUIRY, WAS THAT WARREN LEARY FROM COUNTY GOLF WHO WAS
10 READING THAT OR A DIFFERENT WARREN LEARY? I DON'T KNOW. IT WAS
11 A WEIRD DETAIL. REGARDING THIS ONE, THOUGH, I WOULD JUST SAY
12 THAT, YOU KNOW, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THESE ARE COSTS GOING
13 FORWARD. AND OBVIOUSLY A \$3 INCREASE ON THOSE PARCELS IS
14 SUBSTANTIAL. THE MARINA NUMBER IS OF LARGER. I DON'T QUITE
15 UNDERSTAND MR. GOTTLIEB WAS ASKING ME AND I COULDN'T ANSWER,
16 FRANKLY, ARE THE PARCEL OWNERS, WHICH IS THE COUNTY AND THE
17 MARINA, OR THE LESSEES, THE ONES WHO PAY THIS? AND I THINK IT
18 IS THE LESSEES. MAYBE THE DEPARTMENT COULD CLARIFY THAT. SO
19 THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, IF A HOTEL PRODUCES A BUNCH OF SEWAGE
20 UNITS, THEY WOULD PAY AT \$190 PER UNIT FOR X AMOUNT OF UNITS.
21 AND IF IT WAS JUST A SMALL RESIDENCE, THAT WOULD BE A
22 DIFFERENT STORY. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

25

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1 **DAN GOTTLIEB:** I'M PROFESSOR GOTTLIEB, DAN GOTTLIEB. AND I'D
2 LIKE TO SPEAK TO THIS ITEM. ACCORDING TO THE LAW, THE PROPERTY
3 OWNERS, THE PARCEL OWNERS ARE RECEIVING THIS, AS MR. PREVEN
4 SAID. AND I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A LIST OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS
5 THAT HAVE BEEN SENT THIS THING. AND I'D LIKE TO MAKE THIS A
6 C.P.R.I. OFFICIALLY THAT I RECEIVE A LIST OF PROPERTY OWNERS
7 IN THE MARINA THAT HAVE RECEIVED THIS NOTICE AND THAT ARE
8 VOTING. SO I CAN SEE WHETHER OR NOT THE ACTUAL LAW IS BEING
9 FOLLOWED. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **DAN GOTTLIEB:** BY THE WAY, I PASSED OUT A BOOK ON THE MARINA
14 WRITTEN BY A VERY TALENTED NEWSPAPER PERSON. AND I HOPE YOU'LL
15 ALL READ IT AND ENJOY IT. CHINATOWN COUNTY: SELLING OUT OF
16 MARINA DEL REY. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. A
21 FEW THINGS. THE NOTIFICATION METHOD HERE. NOBODY'S QUESTIONING
22 THAT. I'M WONDERING IF THIS ALSO IS A PIECE OF JUNK MAIL. I
23 MEAN, IT'S COMING FROM THE COUNTY, BUT YOU NEVER KNOW. THE
24 CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND, IT DOESN'T REALLY MENTION WHAT THE DEBT
25 SERVICE IS ON THIS. BUT IT DOES, SOMEBODY MENTIONED, THE

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1 GENTLEMAN MENTIONED IT'S A \$3 INCREASE. AND ITEM NO. 5, YOU'RE
2 HAVING AN INCREASE IN REVENUE FEES, AND YOU MENTION IN IT IT'S
3 GOING TO COLLECT \$40,000. SO WHAT IS THIS \$3 NET REVENUE GOING
4 TO COLLECT IN THIS SEWER INCREASE? CAN WE GET -- YOU DON'T
5 GIVE AN IDEA OF WHAT THE NET REVENUE IS THAT YOU'RE COLLECTING
6 \$3 PER SEWER, ACRE, WHATEVER YOU WANT, HOWEVER YOU DECIDE,
7 SEWER UNIT, WHATEVER THAT COMES OUT TO BE, BUT EACH SEWER UNIT
8 IS A \$3 INCREASE. HOW MANY SEWER UNITS DOES IT TAKE TO TURN ON
9 A LIGHT BULB? IT DOESN'T SAY. SO I'M JUST CURIOUS ABOUT THAT.
10 OH, AND SUPERVISOR KNABE ON THE FIRST HEARING YOU GAVE THE
11 SPEAKERS THREE MINUTES AND IT WAS INTERESTING TO HAVE HER COME
12 UP HERE, THAT YOUNG LADY AND HAVE HER SPEAK AND NO SUPERVISOR,
13 WHICHEVER THE HILLCREST AREA WAS, NO SUPERVISOR GOT UP TO
14 DEFEND HER, BUT THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THAT'S A LITTLE IFFY. BUT
15 NOW WE GET TWO MINUTES ON THIS HEARING. IS THERE A PARTICULAR
16 REASON ON THAT? OR JUST YOUR LARGENESS, YOUR GIVING OF YOUR
17 ABILITY FOR US TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY.
18 BUT, AGAIN, WHEN YOU HAVE A HEARING HERE AND THE NEXT HEARING
19 WILL BE ITEM 5, YOU PUT IN THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT'S GOING TO
20 BE RAISED BY THE FEES INCREASE. YOU SHOULD DO THE SAME THING
21 HERE. SO THE PUBLIC HAS AN IDEA OF JUST HOW MUCH MONEY IS
22 FLOATING AROUND IN THE SEWERS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM'S BEFORE US.

25

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** YES. THE ITEM IS BEFORE THIS BOARD
2 TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE HAVE TO TABULATE?

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. MOVED BY
9 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
10 SO ORDERED.

11

12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 4, THIS IS
13 THE HEARING ON PROPOSED CONTINUATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2013/'14
14 LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS IN LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING
15 AND LIGHTING ACT-1 ALL ZONES IDENTIFIED IN THE ENGINEER'S
16 REPORT AT THE SAME RATES EXCEPT FOR THE PALMDALE ZONE WHICH
17 WILL BE DETACHED FROM AND EFFECTIVE JUNE 20, 2014 AND COUNTY
18 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1616 TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE
19 CITY OF PALMDALE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
20 STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DEPARTMENT?

23

24 **JAMES CHUN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JAMES CHUN AND I AM THE
25 HEAD OF STREET LIGHTING SECTION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC

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1 WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND
2 COLLECTION OF THE ANNUAL STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENTS WITHIN
3 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR ALL ZONES FOR FISCAL YEAR
4 2014-'15. AT THE SAME RATES AS ARE BEING LEVIED DURING THE
5 CURRENT YEAR, EXCEPT THERE WILL BE NO CONTINUATION OF THE
6 ANNUAL STREETLIGHT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PALMDALE ZONE, AS THAT
7 ZONE WILL BE DETACHED AND TRANSFERRED FROM LLA-1 EFFECTIVE
8 JULY 1, 2014. IN MY OPINION ALL THE REMAINING TERRITORIES
9 WITHIN LLA-1 WILL CONTINUE TO BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES
10 PROVIDED AND THE ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ZONES CONTINUE TO BE
11 SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO THE BENEFITS PROVIDED TO THE INVOLVED
12 PROPERTIES. IN MY OPINION, IT IS JUST AND EQUITABLE AND IN THE
13 PUBLIC INTEREST THAT THE ADDITIONAL COST FOR INSTALLATION AND
14 MAINTENANCE OF ADDITIONAL LIGHTS BE MADE A CHARGE UPON THE
15 EXISTING DISTRICTS AS A WHOLE IN FISCAL YEAR 2014 AND 2015. WE
16 HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED LEVY OF THE
17 ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1.

18
19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO INDIVIDUAL HAS SIGNED UP FOR
20 THIS MATTER. AND THIS ITEM IS BEFORE THE BOARD TO CLOSE THE
21 HEARING?

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL CLOSE THE PUBLIC
24 HEARING. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR

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1 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 5, THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
6 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. PUBLIC WORKS OR PARKS AND
9 RECREATION?

10

11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** I'M SORRY. PARKS AND RECREATION.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. ITEM NO. 6,
14 PLEASE?

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS THE HEARING
17 TO CONSUMMATE PURCHASE OF 32 ACRES OF UNIMPROVED LAND ADJACENT
18 TO THE VAZQUEZ ROCKS NATURAL AREA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$702,000
19 APPROVED THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CO-TRUSTEES OF THE
20 IRVING H. BLANK AND RONAYE BOYLE FAMILY TRUST. THERE IS NO
21 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND
22 THERE IS A SPEAKER ON THIS ITEM.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE WILL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.
25 ARNOLD SACHS, YOU SIGNED UP?

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1

2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHY, YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD
3 SACHS. I'M NOT REALLY TOO CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING
4 WITH THIS PROPERTY. I'M MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE LEGALIZATION
5 AND THE EXECUTION OF THE DEEDS AND THE DOCUMENTATION THAT'S
6 INVOLVED HERE. I IMAGINE WHEN YOU PUT THAT DOWN THAT YOU WILL
7 BE -- IT MEANS THAT THE DOCUMENTATION WILL BE GOING TO THE
8 COUNTY REGISTRAR'S OFFICE TO BE RECORDED AS A LEGAL DOCUMENT
9 AND THAT THE COUNTY IN AND OF ITSELF WILL BE RECOGNIZED AS THE
10 LEGAL OWNER OF THIS PROPERTY? BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WITH
11 DOCUMENTATION THAT'S FILED AT THE COUNTY REGISTRAR'S OFFICE,
12 IT BECOMES- HAS SOME KIND OF LEGAL PRECEDENT, I GUESS, THERE'S
13 AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA, A LEGAL ENTITY AGREEMENT LATER ON,
14 WE'LL GET INTO THAT DISCUSSION, BECAUSE, AGAIN, YOU KNOW, WHEN
15 YOU DEAL WITH METRO, AND YOU DEAL WITH THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE
16 A PROPERTY EASEMENT IN GLENDORA THAT ENDED UP GOING TO A
17 COMPANY, TO AN AGENCY THAT DOESN'T EVEN EXIST FOR 10 YEARS BUT
18 IT'S REGISTERED AT THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE. AND YOU WONDER WELL
19 IF THAT'S A LEGAL DOCUMENT AND THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT,
20 WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE? WELL THIS IS LEGALLY EXECUTED WITH THE
21 COUNTY AND THAT'S LEGALLY EXECUTED WITH A MIRAGE. AND CAN YOU
22 DO THAT? WELL THE COUNTY CAN DO WHATEVER THEY WANT TO DO. IT'S
23 BECAUSE WE SAY SO. SO I'M JUST CURIOUS ABOUT THAT. AND TRYING
24 TO GET PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THAT WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU

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1 READ DOESN'T NECESSARILY COME OUT TO BE THE TRUTH? IT'S MORE
2 OR LESS LIKE MONEY FLOATING IN THE SEWER.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. PREVEN?

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** POINT OF ORDER, YOUR HONOR. I WOULD LIKE TO
7 ADDRESS ITEM NO. 5, THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ITEM NO. 5. AND I
8 WILL GO AHEAD AND DO SO. THAT IS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM'S BEEN CONTINUED TWO WEEKS.
11 IT'S NOT, WE'RE NOT --

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** I CAME DOWN HERE EXPRESSLY TO TALK ABOUT IT.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, YOU DIDN'T. DON'T TRY TO PULL THE
16 WOOL OVER MY EYES. YOU SIGNED UP FOR ITEM NO. 6. PLEASE
17 PROCEED.

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU'RE CONTINUING ITEM NO. 5? THERE'S NO WAY THAT
20 AN INDIVIDUAL WHO COMES DOWN TO ADDRESS IT?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SURE YOU'LL BE HERE IN TWO WEEKS. NO
23 ONE ELSE HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON IT. YOU'RE KILLING YOUR OWN
24 TIME.

25

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** I'M NOT KILLING MY OWN TIME. I DON'T WANT TO BE
2 DIFFICULT. I WANT TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM. SORRY.

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD, ITEM NO. 6 IS BEFORE THIS BOARD TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC
6 HEARING?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. MOVED BY
9 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON THE ITEM NO. 7, THIS
13 IS THE HEARING TO CONSUMATE THE PURCHASE OF APPROXIMATELY
14 12,962 SQUARE FEET OF UNIMPROVED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT
15 18318 SOUTH BROADWAY STREET IN THE CITY OF CARSON IN THE
16 AMOUNT OF \$210,000 PLUS ANY OTHER REQUIRED TRANSACTIONAL COSTS
17 OR ESCROW FEES, APPROVE THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNERS
18 DANIEL J. SANTA CRUZ AND SHIRLEY SANTA CRUZ FOR THE
19 DEVELOPMENT OF A PROPOSED PARKING LOT FOR THE CARSON/GARDENA
20 ANIMAL CARE CENTER. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO
21 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS ON THIS
22 ITEM.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY COMMENTS, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS?

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, MR. CHAIRMAN. PLEASE MOVE IT.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, THE ITEM MOVED BY
4 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NO.
8 8, THIS IS THE DE NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT TR071735-3 LOCATED
9 AT 901 ENCINAL CANYON ROAD IN THE UNINCORPORATED SANTA MONICA
10 MOUNTAINS WITHIN THE MALIBU ZONE DISTRICT APPLIED FOR BY
11 MALIBU ASSOCIATES LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
12 MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.
13 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE SPEAKERS ON THIS
14 ITEM.

15

16 **KEVIN FINKLE:** GOOD MORNING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS
17 KEVIN FINKLE. I'M A REGIONAL PLANNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 REGIONAL PLANNING. THE ITEM BEFORE YOU TODAY IS AN APPEAL OF
19 THE APPROVAL OF THE MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT. ON APRIL 30,
20 2014, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED
21 THE VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP AND PERMITS WITH CONDITIONS OF
22 APPROVAL TO DEVELOP THE MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT. THE
23 COMMISSION ALSO CERTIFIED AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND
24 ADOPTED A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE
25 PROJECT. THE MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT WOULD DEVELOP AN

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1 EDUCATIONAL RETREAT FACILITY AFFILIATED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF
2 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND A REMODELED PUBLIC GOLF COURSE IN THE
3 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE PROJECT
4 WOULD INCLUDE APPROXIMATELY 224,000 SQUARE FEET OF STRUCTURES,
5 INCLUDING EDUCATIONAL AND MEETING FACILITIES, 40 VISITOR-
6 SERVING OVERNIGHT BUNGALOWS TO FACILITATE MULTI-DAY PROGRAMS
7 AT THE INSTITUTE, A CLUBHOUSE, PRO SHOP, AN INDOOR
8 COMPUTERIZED DRIVING RANGE AND SUPPORT FACILITIES SUCH AS
9 MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE BUILDINGS. ADDITIONALLY, THE PROJECT
10 WOULD REMOVE AN ABANDONED RESIDENCE LOCATED IN THE NORTHERN
11 PORTION OF THE PROJECT SITE, REPLACE EXISTING SEPTIC SYSTEMS
12 WITH AN ON-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, RELOCATE AN
13 EXISTING EMERGENCY-USE HELIPAD TO A MORE CENTRAL LOCATION ON
14 THE PROJECT SITE, RETAIN AN EXISTING 875 SQUARE FOOT GUEST
15 HOUSE FOR USE AS THE CARETAKERS' RESIDENCE AND WOULD DEDICATED
16 AT LEAST 450 ACRES OF THE PROJECT SITE AS PERMANENT OPEN
17 SPACE. THE DRAFT E.I.R. FOR THE PROJECT WAS CIRCULATED FOR 60
18 DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 9, 2013 TO
19 FEBRUARY 7, 2014. ORAL COMMENTS WERE ALSO RECEIVED FROM
20 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT A HEARING EXAMINER PUBLIC HEARING
21 HELD ON JANUARY 16, 2014 AT THE MALIBU GOLF CLUB. THE FINAL
22 E.I.R. WAS COMPLETED FOR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
23 CONSIDERATION IN APRIL OF 2014. THE MALIBU INSTITUTE E.I.R.
24 INCLUDES THE DRAFT E.I.R. AND THE FINAL E.I.R. WHICH ANALYZED
25 THE PROJECT'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. THE E.I.R. DETERMINED

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1 THAT AFTER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REQUIRED MITIGATION MEASURES,
2 THE PROJECT WOULD RESULT IN NO SIGNIFICANT AND UNAVOIDABLE
3 IMPACTS TO THE ENVIRONMENT. THE COMMISSION'S ACTION WAS
4 APPEALED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON MAY 12, 2014. THIS
5 CONCLUDES MY STATEMENT TO THE BOARD AND STAFF IS AVAILABLE FOR
6 QUESTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** QUESTIONS? ALL RIGHT. FIRST SPEAKER IS
9 MELANIE LUTHERN. OKAY. EXCUSE ME, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO RECALL
10 YOU. I'M GOING TO HAVE TO ASK THE APPLICANT TO GO FIRST.
11 TRYING TO GO THROUGH. I CALL THE APPLICANT FIRST, I'M SORRY.
12 THOMAS HIX, PLEASE.

13

14 **THOMAS HIX:** GOOD MORNING. MR. CHAIR. HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE
15 BOARD. MY NAME'S TOM HIX. I'M THE MANAGING MEMBER OF MALIBU
16 ASSOCIATES, THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY. YOU SHOULD EACH HAVE A
17 HANDOUT IN FRONT OF YOU. IF YOU WISH YOU MAY FOLLOW ALONG AS I
18 POINT OUT THE MOST SIGNIFICANT FEATURES OF THE MALIBU
19 INSTITUTE. THE PROJECT IS LOCATED IN THE CENTER OF THE SANTA
20 MONICA MOUNTAINS RECREATION AREA APPROXIMATELY 6 MILES FROM
21 THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 101 AND KANAN ROAD AND AN EQUAL
22 DISTANCE FROM PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY AND KANAN ROAD. THE 650-
23 ACRE PROPERTY IS BOUNDED BY MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY ON THE NORTH
24 AND ENCINAL CANYON ROAD ON THE SOUTH. WE DID AN EXTENSIVE
25 E.I.R. FOR THE PROJECT. THE DRAFT E.I.R. ANALYZED THREE

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1 ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROJECT. THE FIRST ALTERNATIVE, THE NO
2 PROJECT ALTERNATIVE THE EXISTING GOLF COURSE IS NEARLY 40
3 YEARS OLD AND FUNCTIONALLY OBSOLETE. IT CURRENTLY OPERATES
4 WITH ANNUAL DEFICITS THAT EXCEED \$1 MILLION PER YEAR. THE
5 SECOND ALTERNATIVE ANALYZED 29 RESIDENTIAL LOTS ON OUR 29
6 LEGAL PARCELS. THIS WOULD DESTROY OVER 200 ACRES OF VALUABLE
7 E.S.H.A. THE THIRD ALTERNATIVE WAS OUR ORIGINAL PROJECT PLAN
8 SUBMITTED IN 2011. THE PLAN HAD AN INNOVATIVE SIX-HOLE GOLF
9 COURSE, 58 BUNGALOWS CONSISTING OF 259 ROOMS. A CONFERENCE
10 FACILITY, CLUBHOUSE AND UNDERGROUND PARKING TOTALING OVER
11 625,000 SQUARE FEET ON 40-ACRE FOOTPRINT. LISTENING TO THE
12 FEEDBACK WE RECEIVED FROM THE COUNTY FOR ALTERNATIVE 3, WE SET
13 OUT TO REDUCE THE PROJECT SIZE AND SCOPE. THE PURPLE BOUNDARY
14 ON THE MAP REPRESENTS THE 150-ACRE BOUNDARY OF THE EXISTING
15 DISTURBED AND DEVELOPED PORTION OF THE MALIBU GOLF CLUB. THE
16 RED BUBBLE REPRESENTS THE PROPOSED CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT AREA ON
17 20 ACRES. BY CLUSTERING THE DEVELOPMENT IN THE EXISTING 150-
18 ACRE DEVELOPED AND DISTURBED AREA OF THE SITE THE PROJECT WILL
19 PRESERVE AND DONATE OVER 450 ACRES OF MOSTLY PRISTINE NATIVE
20 HABITAT TO THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AS PERMANENT DEDICATED
21 OPEN SPACE. THE COMPLETELY REMODELED GOLF COURSE WILL REDUCE
22 THE GOLF FOOTPRINT FROM 118 ACRES TO 107 AND REDUCE THE
23 IRRIGATED GOLF TURF FROM 85 ACRES DOWN TO 62 ACRES. THE PURPLE
24 BOUNDARY REPRESENTS THE AREA OF THE GOLF THAT IS BEING REMOVED
25 FROM THE EXISTING GOLF COURSE. THE NEW GOLF COURSE DESIGN

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1 INCORPORATES NUMEROUS ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER QUALITY
2 IMPROVEMENTS AS DEPICTED IN THE BEFORE AND AFTER PICTURE OF
3 OUR SEVEN GREEN. THE NONNATIVE TREES WILL BE REMOVED AND
4 REPLACED WITH NATIVE CHAPARRAL. BIO SWELLS WILL BE ADDED TO
5 THE GREENS AND THEY WILL BE BUILT UTILIZING U.S.G.A.
6 STANDARDS. YOU WILL SEE A DEVELOPMENT SITE PLAN IN YOUR
7 BOOKLET THAT DEPICTS THE LOCATION OF THE VARIOUS BUILDINGS AND
8 THEIR CONCEPTUAL DESIGNS AND LOCATIONS. THE PROJECT WILL BE
9 BUILT UTILIZING LEED PLATINUM OR EQUIVALENT BUILDING
10 GUIDELINES. IN ORDER TO OBTAIN LEED PLATINUM WE WILL USE
11 HIGHLY SUSTAINABLE AND EFFICIENT BUILDING MATERIAL SUCH AS
12 I.C.F. FOAM BLOCK AND RADIANT HEATING. ADDITIONALLY THE
13 OPERATIONS WILL INCLUDE ON SITE FOOD WASTE RECYCLING SYSTEMS
14 TO RECYCLE 100 PERCENT OF THE PROJECT FOOD WASTE INTO MULCH.
15 THE PROJECT WILL UTILIZE SHADE STRUCTURES OVER THE THREE
16 PARKING LOTS WHICH WILL INCLUDE SOLAR PANELS, ESTIMATED
17 PRODUCING NEARLY TWO-THIRDS OF THE PROJECT'S ELECTRICITY.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WRAP IT UP, PLEASE. PLEASE WRAP IT UP.
20 THANK YOU.

21

22 **THOMAS HIX:** I'M SORRY?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE WRAP IT UP.

25

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1 **THOMAS HIX:** ALRIGHT. IN CLOSING, WE BELIEVE THAT WE'VE DONE AN
2 EXTENSIVE JOB IN PROVING THAT THE PROJECT IS SUSTAINABLE. IT
3 WILL BE UTILIZING THE -- ACTUALLY OFFERING BENEFITS TO U.S.C.,
4 PEPPERDINE, U.C.L.A. AND A NUMBER OF OTHER UNIVERSITIES AROUND
5 THE COMMUNITY HERE IN THE AREA.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **THOMAS HIX:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MELANIE LUTHERN.

12

13 **MELANIE LUTHERN:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR, HONORABLE
14 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MELANIE LUTHERN. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF
15 THE 17,000 HOTEL AND FOOD SERVICE WORKERS THAT UNITE HERE
16 LOCAL 11 REPRESENTS IN ORANGE AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE HAVE
17 APPEALED THIS PROJECT FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS, BUT IT CAN BE
18 BOILED DOWN TO THREE SUBJECTS: ACCESS, COMPLIANCE AND NOTICE.
19 UNITE HERE LOCAL 11 IS PROUD TO FIGHT TO KEEP CALIFORNIA'S
20 COASTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR ALL CALIFORNIANS. THE COASTAL
21 ACT SEEKS TO PRESERVE ACCESS TO THE COASTAL ZONE FOR PEOPLE OF
22 LOW AND MODERATE INCOME FOR PEOPLE LIKE THE HOUSEKEEPERS,
23 SERVERS, AND BELLHOPS OF UNITE HERE LOCAL 11. WE APPRECIATE
24 THE GENEROUS LAND DEDICATIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATIONS
25 THAT HAVE BEEN DONE ON THIS PROJECT BUT THOSE ARE EXPENSIVE.

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1 AND THAT WILL BE SUBSIDIZED THROUGH THE HIGH COST OF THE
2 BUNGALOWS AND OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS ON THIS PROJECT. IT IS
3 SIMPLY NOT LIKELY THAT MOST HIKERS OR MOUNTAIN ENTHUSIASTS
4 WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS
5 PROVIDED BY THIS PROJECT. OUR CONCERNS ABOUT ACCESS TIE INTO
6 OUR CONCERNS ABOUT COMPLIANCE, MAINTAINING AN ACCESSIBLE
7 COASTAL ZONE IS PARAMOUNT TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE COASTAL ACT.
8 SIMILARLY THE NEWLY APPROVED L.U.P. PREFERS THAT ONLY LOW
9 IMPACT DEVELOPMENT OCCURS IN THE LOCATION OF THIS DEVELOPMENT.
10 THERE ARE ALSO SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THE 320 GUEST'S ABILITY TO
11 TRAVEL TO THE MALIBU BEACHES. IT WILL BE VERY CLOSE TO ONE OF
12 THE MOST PREMIER BEACHES LOCATIONS IN THE COUNTRY. AND THERE
13 IS NO TRAFFIC MITIGATION FOR THOSE INTERSECTIONS ON THAT SIDE
14 OF THE PROJECT. FINALLY, AT THE BASE OF BOTH OF THESE CONCERNS
15 IS NOTICE. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY, THE MALIBU
16 RESIDENTS AND PEOPLE OF NEIGHBORING CITIES HAVE BEEN GIVEN
17 NOTICE ABOUT AN EDUCATIONAL RETREAT THAT WILL BE BUILT IN THE
18 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AND WE SUPPORT THE USE OF THIS SITE
19 FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT WHEN YOU
20 LOOK AT THE DETAILS OF THIS PROJECT, THE 40 BUNGALOWS CAN
21 HOUSE UP TO 320 GUESTS. THERE ARE VENUES FOR ENTERTAINMENT.
22 THERE IS A RESTAURANT ON SITE. WE BELIEVE THAT IF THE
23 NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES WERE GIVEN NOTICE ABOUT THIS LUXURY
24 RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER BEING BUILT IN THE SANTA MONICA
25 MOUNTAINS, THE COMPOSITION OF SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT MAY

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1 HAVE BEEN A LITTLE DIFFERENT. WITH THAT IN MIND, WE ASK THAT
2 YOU NOT GRANT THE ENTITLEMENTS FOR THIS PROJECT UNTIL NEW
3 NOTICE CAN BE ISSUED TO THE STAKEHOLDERS AROUND THIS PROPERTY.
4 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. WE
7 HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT. LET ME CALL
8 YOU UP. BETH NEAL, ALANA JAMISON, KATHLEEN TRUMAN, DAVID
9 GALAVIS. YOU'RE THE FIRST FOUR. ONE MINUTE.

10

11 **BETH NEAL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BETH NEAL AND I SERVE ON
12 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE MALIBU CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND
13 I SERVED AS THE CHAIRWOMAN OF THE BOARD IN 2013. THE MALIBU
14 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUPPORTS THE MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT 100
15 PERCENT. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL
16 SERVICES THAT THE MALIBU INSTITUTE WILL BRING TO OUR BUSINESS
17 COMMUNITY. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING TOGETHER IN THE
18 FUTURE. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

21

22 **ALANA JAMISON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ALANA JAMISON AND I AM
23 IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE REFORMATION BEING DONE BY THE MALIBU
24 INSTITUTE. BESIDES JUST LOOKING AT THE FACTS, I REALLY LIKE TO
25 LOOK AT THE INTENT BEHIND PROJECTS. AND THE INTENT THAT I SEE

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1 BEHIND THESE PROJECTS ARE NOT ONLY BUILDING COMMUNITY BUT
2 MAKING REFORMATIONS THAT ARE SUITABLE FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE
3 ENVIRONMENT. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE ARE MAKING
4 RENOVATIONS. IT'S A GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY NOW TO THINK ABOUT
5 SUSTAINABLE REFORMATIONS AND THIS ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN
6 COMPLETELY HONEST IN THAT AND HAS BEEN VERY COMPLIABLE TO
7 MAKING CHANGES. SO I HOPE THAT YOU ALL TAKE THAT IN MIND. I
8 ALSO WANT TO POINT OUT WHAT A COMMUNITY CAN BE BUILT FROM THIS
9 INSTITUTE. BEING A PEPPERDINE GRADUATE, I WOULD HAVE LOVED TO
10 HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK IN A PLACE WHERE I COULD
11 ACTUALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE. I'M NOT JUST MAKING RANDOM ACTS.
12 I'D ACTUALLY BE WORKING TOWARDS SOMETHING. SO I HOPE THAT YOU
13 LOOK BEHIND THE SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS AND ALSO THE COMMUNITY
14 THAT CAN BE BUILT THROUGH THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

17

18 **DAVID GALAVIZ:** CHAIRMAN KNABE AND SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
19 DAVID GALAVIZ, I'M HERE REPRESENTING U.S.C. U.S.C. STRONGLY
20 SUPPORTS THE MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT WHICH WILL RENOVATE THE
21 EXISTING MALIBU GOLF COURSE AND ESTABLISH A SPORTS- ORIENTED
22 EDUCATION RETREAT AFFILIATED NOT ONLY WITH U.S.C. BUT U.C.L.A.
23 AND PEPPERDINE, AS WELL. THE MALIBU INSTITUTE WILL PROVIDE OUR
24 STUDENT ATHLETES WITH A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO HOST EDUCATIONAL
25 SEMINARS AND LECTURES ON ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE UNDERGRADUATE

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1 AND GRADUATE STUDENTS AND ALUMNI. WE WILL PARTICIPATE WITH THE
2 MALIBU INSTITUTE ON SPORTS ORIENTED AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH
3 SCIENCE PROJECTS ACADEMIC SEMINARS AND SYMPOSIA SO WE'RE HERE
4 IN SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BETH NEAL, KATHLEEN TRUMAN,
7 VICTOR ILLIG, AND BITA GOODMAN? ARE THE NEXT FOUR. ANYBODY
8 HERE? IF NOT, RUSTY TUCKER, WILLIAM OTA? GABRIEL GURULE-SMALL.

9

10 **BITA GOODMAN:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR AND HONORABLE
11 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BITA GOODMAN I'M A RESIDENT OF
12 BRENTWOOD. I'M AN ATTORNEY BY PROFESSION AND IN MY FREE TIME
13 I'M AN AVID HIKER ON THE SANTA MONICA BACKBONE TRAIL. I'M NOT
14 A GOLFER, BUT I'VE BEEN TO THE MALIBU GOLF CLUB IN THE PAST
15 FOR NUMEROUS EVENTS. AS AN ATTORNEY, I FOCUS ON REAL ESTATE
16 AND I'M VERY INTRIGUED BY THE INNOVATION AND VOLUNTEER
17 RESTRICTIONS THAT THE DEVELOPERS HAVE IMPOSED UPON THEMSELVES.
18 THE DEVELOPERS HAVE PROPOSED AN ULTRA GREEN SUSTAINABLE
19 DEVELOPMENT IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WHICH WILL PROVIDE A
20 TRUE BENEFIT FOR GOLFERS AND NONGOLFERS LIKE MYSELF. AS AN
21 AVID HIKER IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, WHAT IS LACKING IS
22 THE ABILITY TO STAY WITHIN THE MOUNTAINS. THE SITE IS
23 SPECTACULAR AND WITH THE ENVIRONMENT ENHANCEMENTS THAT ARE
24 PROPOSED, THIS PROJECT STANDS OUT TO BE A MODEL FOR FUTURE
25 DEVELOPMENT. AS A CONSUMER, A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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1 AND A SUPPORTER OF GOOD SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, I ASK YOU TO
2 APPROVE THIS DEVELOPMENT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

5

6 **RUSTY TUCKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS RUSTY TUCKER. AND I AM
7 HERE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT. I KNOW VARIOUS DETAILS OF
8 BOTH THE CURRENT OPERATION AND FUTURE PROJECT, AND IT'S A VERY
9 INNOVATIVE AND VERY CREATIVE NEW TYPE OF PROJECT AND WILL
10 PROVIDE QUITE A NUMBER OF BENEFITS, BOTH FOR THE COMMUNITY IN
11 MALIBU AND FOR THE FOLKS THAT USE THE FACILITY. AND IT'S GOING
12 TO BE A VERY GOOD BREATH OF FRESH AIR FOR THE PROJECT AS IT
13 EXISTS, THE TRANSFORMATION AS IT WILL BECOME. IT WILL BE QUITE
14 A COMMUNITY ASSET. AND I WOULD SAY THAT I AM IN FULL SUPPORT
15 OF THIS PROJECT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

18

19 **WILLIAM OTA:** HELLO. MY NAME IS WILLIAM OTA. I'M A STUDENT AT
20 PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY CURRENTLY. AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF THE
21 PROJECT. I RECENTLY VISITED THE PROPERTY. AND CURRENTLY IT IS
22 THE HOME OF MANY INVASIVE SPECIES AND IS THE SOURCE OF THE
23 HEADWATERS THE TRANCAS CREEK. I HAVE BEEN THE CREEK ALSO. THE
24 PROJECT THAT THEY'RE PROPOSING WILL NOT ONLY HELP REDUCE THE
25 WATER CONSUMPTION AND THE DROUGHT WE'RE IN BUT IT WILL ALLOW

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1 RESIDENTS TO VISIT A LIVING LABORATORY AND WORK AT THE GOLF
2 COURSE WITH FLEXIBLE HOURS WHICH IS A HUGE BENEFIT FOR THE
3 STUDENTS BECAUSE IT IS CLOSER TO CAMPUS AND IS A HOME TO MANY
4 NATIVE SPECIES.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU'RE IN SUPPORT, CORRECT?

7

8 **WILLIAM OTA:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, NEXT?

11

12 **GABRIELLA GURULE-SMALL:** HELLO MY NAME IS GABRIELLA GURULE-
13 SMALL. I AM A RECENT GRADUATE FROM PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY AND I
14 AM IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT. I HAVE ALSO SEEN FIRSTHAND
15 THE EXTENSIVE DETRIMENT THAT HAS OCCURRED TO THESE STREAMS
16 WITH THE INVASIVE SPECIES AND HOW THE GOLF COURSE CURRENTLY
17 IS. AND THIS PROJECT DOES MORE THAN ITS DUE TO TRY TO FIX THAT
18 AREA AND ALSO INCORPORATES THE NEARBY UNIVERSITIES. AS A
19 PEPPERDINE GRADUATE FROM THE BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT, WE KNOW HOW
20 DIFFICULT IT IS TO FIND WORK AS STUDENTS TO TRY AND PAY OFF
21 THOSE LOANS AND TO TRY TO ALSO LEARN AND UTILIZE OUR
22 EDUCATION. AND THERE IS GOLF COURSES OFFERING THAT OPPORTUNITY
23 WITH THE LIVING LABORATORIES AND TO SPREAD HOW MUCH WE KNOW
24 AND HOW MUCH WE LOVE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THE

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1 BEAUTIFUL ENVIRONMENT AND TRYING TO KEEP IT AS PRISTINE AS
2 POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DANTE ROSSI. SCOTT MORRIS.
5 RICHARD MORRIS. MARK MASSARA?

6

7 **DANTE ROSSI:** HI, MY NAME IS DANTE ROSSI. I'VE BEEN A MALIBU
8 RESIDENT AND PLAYING GOLF AT THE MALIBU GOLF COURSE FOR OVER
9 32 YEARS. AS A CONCERNED MALIBU RESIDENT AND AVID GOLFER,
10 THERE ARE MANY REASONS I SUPPORT THE APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT
11 ALONG WITH HUNDREDS OF OTHERS THAT ARE ALSO PASSIONATELY
12 SUPPORTIVE. FIRST AND FOREMOST IS THE POSITIVE IMPACT IT WILL
13 HAVE ON OUR ENVIRONMENT. IT WILL PROVIDE SERENE AND
14 ECOFRIENDLY COMMUNITY CENTER FOR GOLF COURSE AND PEOPLE TO
15 GATHER AND APPRECIATE OUR MAGNIFICENT NATURE, PROTECTING OUR
16 WILDLIFE WHILE PROVIDING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR PEOPLE TO
17 SHARE. IT IS ONE OF MALIBU'S GREAT GIFTS AND IT'S A TRADITION
18 WE NEED TO CONTINUE. IN ADDITION, HAVING A GOLF COURSE WITH
19 SUCH WIDE OPEN SPACES IN THE MOUNTAINS THAT IS SUBJECT TO
20 WILDFIRES HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO SLOW DOWN POTENTIAL FIRE
21 THREATS THAT IN TURN SAVES HOMES, PLANTS AND WILDLIFE. WE LOVE
22 OUR COMMUNITY. APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT WILL REACH ALL
23 CONCERNED. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1

2 **SCOTT MORRIS:** HI, MY NAME IS SCOTT MORRIS. BEING ONE OF THE
3 YOUNGER SUPPORTERS HERE I'M IMPRESSED WITH THE SUSTAINABILITY
4 ELEMENTS OF THE PROJECT. MY GENERATION IS VERY CONSCIOUS OF
5 THE ENVIRONMENT. CONSCIOUS LIVING AND GIVING BACK. THE MALIBU
6 INSTITUTE IS SETTING A PRECEDENT FOR RESPONSIBLE DESIGN AND
7 SHOULD BE COMMENDED FOR IT. IN ADDITION, THE EDUCATIONAL AND
8 CORPORATE RETREAT ASPECT WITH OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS IS
9 GOING TO BE EXTREMELY USEFUL TO SO MANY LOCALS. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

12

13 **MARK MASSARA:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR. I'M MARK MASCARA.
14 I'M AN ENVIRONMENTAL ATTORNEY. I HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF
15 WORKING WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND ENVIRONMENTAL
16 ORGANIZATIONS ON PUBLIC RESOURCE ACTION PROTECTION ISSUES. I'M
17 HERE TODAY AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF AND ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTER
18 OF THE MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT. IT IS THE RESULT OF A YEAR'S
19 LONG COLLABORATION WITH YOUR STAFF AND THE RESPONSIBLE
20 DEVELOPER WITH A COMMITMENT TO BOTH THE ENVIRONMENT AND
21 SUSTAINABLE DESIGN. THE PROJECT CONSISTS OF THE WHOLE PACKAGE,
22 CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT, REDUCED FOOTPRINT OF THE EXISTING GOLF
23 COURSE, WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES AND REDUCTION IN POTABLE
24 AND WATER USE AND A HUGE DEDICATION OF PERMANENT PUBLIC OPEN
25 SPACE. WITH THIS PROJECT, WE HAVE THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO

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1 CORRECT DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL FLAWS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
2 EXISTING GOLF COURSE THAT WAS CONSTRUCTED IN THE 1970S. THE
3 PROJECT IS CONSISTENT WITH BOTH THE MALIBU LAND USE PLAN AND
4 THE RECENTLY CERTIFIED LCP. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7

8 **RICHARD MORRIS:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS, MY
9 NAME IS RICHARD MORRIS, I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE LARGEST LOCAL
10 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION IN THE AREA. WE'VE BEEN FAMILIAR WITH
11 THIS SITE FOR 30 YEARS, MANY OF US PLAYING GOLF THERE. AT THE
12 TIME THIS PROJECT CAME ABOUT, WE MET WITH THE DEVELOPER AT
13 LEAST THREE TIMES. WE KNEW WHAT WAS GOING ON AND WE
14 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE PROJECT. IT'S A SUPER PROJECT. IN
15 ADDITION I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT THE OPPORTUNITY HERE TO PROVIDE
16 VALUABLE VISITOR-SERVING USES FOR THE COMMUNITY IN THIS
17 COASTAL AREA NOT ONLY FOR THE GOLFERS BUT FOR HIKERS, PEOPLE
18 WISHING AN OVERNIGHT STAY. THERE IS NO OTHER OVERNIGHT
19 ACCOMMODATIONS IN THE ENTIRE AREA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? CANDICE BOWEN? TIMOTHY
22 SULLIVAN? WOODROW CLARK II. GARY BUCCIARELLI.

23

24 **CANDACE BOWEN:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CANDICE BOWEN, MALIBU RESIDENT FOR 35

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1 YEARS AND AVID GOLFER. FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS, I HAVE CHAIRED
2 THE WOMEN IN FILM MALIBU CELEBRITY GOLF TOURNAMENT. I STRONGLY
3 SUPPORT THE MALIBU INSTITUTE PROJECT AND ASK YOU TO DO THE
4 SAME. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

7

8 **TIM SULLIVAN:** MY NAME IS ADMIRAL TIM SULLIVAN. I JUST RECENTLY
9 RETIRED FROM ALMOST 40 YEARS IN THE U.S. COAST GUARD. I'VE HAD
10 A CHANCE TO WORK OFFSHORE IN CALIFORNIA FOR MANY YEARS DOING
11 LAW ENFORCEMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY. BUT I'M HERE TODAY
12 ACTUALLY ON BEHALF OF THE PROJECT. I AM ONE OF THE LOCAL
13 RESIDENTS THAT WAS MENTIONED BY ONE OF THE PEOPLE THAT WERE
14 NOT IN FAVOR OF THIS. I'M HERE TO TELL YOU THAT THE PROJECT
15 HAS BEEN VERY FORTHCOMING IN INFORMATION. THEY UNDERSTAND WHAT
16 LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE INTERESTED IN AND NOT INTERESTED IN. IT'S
17 BEEN TOUCHED ON BY A NUMBER OF TIMES WHAT AN ENVIRONMENTALLY
18 POSITIVE EFFECT THIS WILL HAVE ON THE AREA. AND I LITERALLY
19 LIVE ABOVE THE GOLF COURSE. I KNOW A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT
20 HAPPENS BOTH THERE AS AN AMATEUR GOLFER AND WHAT HAPPENS IN
21 THE ENVIRONMENT. I KNOW A LOT MORE ABOUT COMMUNICATIONS AND
22 LEADERSHIP. AND THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN VERY FORTHCOMING IN
23 PROVIDING INFORMATION TO NEIGHBORS, WHAT THEY CAN DO, WHAT
24 THEY CANNOT DO. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND THANK YOU

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1 AGAIN FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK THIS MORNING AND ASK FOR
2 YOUR SUPPORT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

5

6 **GARY BUCCIARELLI:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS GARY BUCCIARELLI,
7 I'M A GRADUATE RESEARCHER AT U.C.L.A. AND I WORK WITH THE
8 LACRET CENTER FOR CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION SCIENCE. I'M HERE TO
9 SUPPORT THE PROJECT TODAY. AND MY RESEARCH FOCUSES ON
10 AMPHIBIANS, AVIARY GENETICS AND CONSERVATION OF AMPHIBIAN
11 SPECIES. I'VE WORKED AT THE MALIBU INSTITUTE FOR THE LAST TWO
12 YEARS DOING RESEARCH PROJECTS. AND CURRENTLY I'M WORKING ON A
13 RESTORATION PROJECT THAT WOULD REINTRODUCE A NATIVE SPECIES TO
14 THE HABITAT, THE MALIBU INSTITUTE OWNS. THIS IS A REALLY
15 IMPORTANT PROJECT BECAUSE THIS IS A SPECIES OF SPECIAL CONCERN
16 IN CALIFORNIA AND LOCALLY IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, THIS
17 AMPHIBIAN IS IN DRASTIC DECLINE. IT IS MY HOPE THAT IN THE
18 FUTURE, I WILL BE ABLE TO CONTINUE RESEARCH PROJECTS LIKE THIS
19 WITH UNDERGRADUATES AND OTHER COLLEAGUES. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. CLARK? ARE YOU MR. CLARK?
22 HANG ON JUST A SECOND. I'D ASK LEE KATS, PRIMO TAPIA, AND ERIC
23 PREVEN TO JOIN US, PLEASE.

24

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1 **WOODROW CLARK II:** MR. SUPERVISOR, AND OTHER SUPERVISORS, I
2 HAVE SOME TESTIMONY HERE TO GIVE OUT. I'M NOT SURE HOW DO I?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GIVE IT TO THE SHERIFF THERE AND IT WILL
5 BE PART OF THE RECORD.

6

7 **WOODROW CLARK II:** I ALSO HAVE BUSINESS CARDS INCLUDING
8 RECYCLABLE ONES THAT YOU CAN PLANT TREES WITH.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOT TREES, TOO? I'M JUST KIDDING.

11

12 **WOODROW CLARK II:** MORE OF THOSE. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE
13 MALIBU INSTITUTE. AND I WANT TO UNDERLINE THAT. SUPPORT IT IN
14 A VERY BIG WAY. ASIDE FROM WRITING BOOKS ON SUSTAINABLE
15 COMMUNITIES, THIS IS MY LATEST BOOK, "AROUND THE WORLD". AND
16 I'M ALSO DOING BOOKS ON HOW YOU PAY FOR IT CALLED "THE NEXT
17 ECONOMICS". I THINK THE MALIBU INSTITUTE IS A MODEL AND
18 EXAMPLE OF HOW WE CAN HAVE SMART GREEN CITIES AROUND THE
19 WORLD. I AM EXTREMELY SUPPORTIVE OF IT. AND IF I HAD KNOWN
20 SOME COLLEAGUES OF MINE FROM THE LABOR UNIONS WERE HERE I
21 WOULD HAVE INVITED MY FRIENDS FROM S.E.I.U., FROM I.B.E.W., AS
22 WELL BECAUSE I KNOW THEY SUPPORT THIS. IT IS PART OF WHAT THEY
23 CALL THE GREEN INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION. IT'S CHANGE. WE NEED
24 EDUCATION. WE NEED PLACES TO GO AND LEARN ABOUT IT AND SEE IT

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1 IN PRACTICE AS A LABORATORY. I WANT TO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT
2 THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

5

6 **LEE KATS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LEE KATS. I'M A BIOLOGIST
7 AND PROFESSOR AT PEPPERDINE. FOR OVER 20 YEARS, MY STUDENTS
8 AND I HAVE STUDIED TRANCAS CREEK, THE WATERSHED WHERE THIS
9 PROJECT IS LOCATED. BIO-DIVERSITY IN THE WATERSHED IS GREATLY
10 REDUCED BECAUSE OF THE PREVIOUS LAND OWNERS. THIS PROJECT
11 OFFERS UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION. FEW
12 WATERSHEDS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS HAVE THE POTENTIAL
13 FOR RESTORATION LIKE THIS ONE DOES. I SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE
14 AND RESTORATIVE PLANS OF THIS PROJECT AND I LOOK FORWARD TO
15 STUDYING THE BIOLOGICAL RECOVERY WITH MY STUDENTS. THANK YOU
16 VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANKS FOR YOUR TIME. NEXT?

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
21 DISTRICT 3. I MUST SAY THIS LOOKS PRETTY GOOD. THERE IS ONE
22 MINOR DETAIL IN THE POSTING ON THE AGENDA, THERE'S NO
23 REFERENCE TO THE FACT THAT IT'S A GOLF FACILITY. THEY REFER TO
24 IT MORE ARTFULLY AS A SPORTS-ORIENTED EDUCATIONAL RETREAT
25 FACILITY, WHICH I UNDERSTAND IS PART OF THE STORY. AND I THINK

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1 THIS WORKS WELL BECAUSE GOLF, OBVIOUSLY, HAS GREAT WATER
2 NEEDS. AND BY USING THE RECLAIMED WATER INTO THE GOLF COURSE,
3 THIS IS QUITE PROGRESSIVE. AND I THINK WE'VE HEARD FROM
4 MEMBERS IN THE COMMUNITY THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT A LOT OF MALIBU
5 RESIDENTS HEARD ABOUT THIS AND WEIGHED IN. I DON'T KNOW
6 EXACTLY HOW I FEEL. IT FEELS LIKE IT'S A GOOD THING. IT DOES
7 SEEM LIKE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN MALIBU ARE APPEALING. IF
8 YOU ASK THE MALIBU RESIDENT, WHAT DO YOU WANT? YOU'D PROBABLY
9 SAY THAT OVER A REHAB PLACE, I DON'T KNOW. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF
10 THOSE, TOO. THE QUESTION, REALLY, IS HAVE. HOW MANY COUNTY
11 RESIDENTS WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS KIND OF PARTNERSHIP? AND
12 HOPEFULLY SOME. WE DON'T HAVE A BOOKSTORE IN MALIBU,
13 UNFORTUNATELY, THOUGH WE DO NOW HAVE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE
14 COMING TO JOIN PEPPERDINE SOME OF THE OTHER GREAT
15 INSTITUTIONS. SO GOOD LUCK WITH THIS.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. ZEV?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. LET ME FIRST OF ALL
20 THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE COME DOWN TO TESTIFY
21 IN SUPPORT OF THIS AS THEY DID AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION
22 WHICH UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THIS PROJECT. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
23 THE PLANNING STAFF FOR THE CARE THEY HAVE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT
24 ALL OF THE CONDITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN PROMISED ARE WRITTEN INTO
25 THE ACTION. AND I DO WANT TO COMMEND THE APPLICANT. I DON'T

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1 NORMALLY DO THAT. BECAUSE NORMALLY APPLICANTS AREN'T AS
2 COOPERATIVE AS MR. HIX AND HIS TEAM HAVE BEEN. THIS IS A FAR
3 CRY FROM THE PROJECT THAT THEY ORIGINALLY CAME IN TO SEE ME
4 ABOUT MANY YEARS AGO, WHICH INCLUDED GETTING RID OF THE GOLF
5 COURSE OR AT LEAST CUTTING IT BACK BY 75 PERCENT, WHICH DIDN'T
6 MAKE ANY SENSE TO ME. IT'S A PUBLIC GOLF COURSE. IT'S BEEN OUT
7 THERE PRIVATELY OWNED BUT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC GOLF COURSE THAT
8 SERVES THE NEEDS OF THE GOLFERS OF THAT PART OF THE COUNTY IN
9 A VERY UNIQUE SETTING THAT WE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE NEVER
10 APPROVED THAT GOLF COURSE IF IT WAS BEING APPLIED FOR TODAY.
11 BUT IT'S THERE. AND WE WANTED TO KEEP IT THERE BECAUSE THERE
12 WILL BE NO NEW GOLF COURSES IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, FOR
13 OBVIOUS REASONS. SO I WANT TO COMMEND TOM AND HIS TEAM FOR
14 LISTENING TO US, MODIFYING THEIR PROJECT IN SUCH A WAY THAT
15 THEY ADDRESSED ALL OF THE -- VIRTUALLY ALL THE CONCERNS THAT
16 WE HAD RAISED AND THEN SOME. IT'S ALWAYS BEEN INTENDED TO BE
17 AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE PROJECT AND ONE THAT IS
18 ENVIRONMENTALLY SUPERIOR TO WHAT'S THERE NOW. AND IT CLEARLY
19 IS THE CASE. THEY'VE LIVED UP TO THEIR COMMITMENT IN THAT
20 REGARD, AS WELL. AND WE DO HAVE -- WE HAVE NO LOCAL OPPOSITION
21 TO THIS, NOT BECAUSE IT WAS A SECRET, BUT BECAUSE IT WAS
22 HEAVILY AND THOROUGHLY VETTED IN THE COMMUNITY OF MALIBU. IT
23 WAS IN THE NEWSPAPERS OF MALIBU. THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO IN
24 MALIBU OR ABOVE MALIBU THAT PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT. SO WE
25 HAVE A POLICY OF NOT TRYING TO HIDE THE BALL. HONESTY AND

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1 TRANSPARENCY IS ALWAYS THE BEST POLICY. AND WHAT CAME OUT OF
2 IT IS A PROJECT THAT HAS VIRTUALLY UNANIMOUS SUPPORT. NO LOCAL
3 OPPOSITION THAT I'M AWARE OF. AND THAT, AS YOU KNOW, MR.
4 CHAIRMAN, BECAUSE YOU WORKED THAT TERRAIN, WE SHOULD DECLARE
5 THIS A NATIONAL HOLIDAY IN THAT REGARD.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D NEVER SEEN THAT MANY PEOPLE IN
8 SUPPORT OF A PROJECT IN MALIBU THROUGH MY ENTIRE CAREER.
9 [LAUGHTER.]

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THERE MUST BE SOMETHING WRONG WITH IT,
12 BUT WE'LL FIGURE THAT OUT LATER. BUT, SERIOUSLY, THIS IS A
13 GREAT PROJECT FROM WHERE IT STARTED TO WHERE IT IS. IT WILL
14 SERVE THE OBJECTIVES OF NOT ONLY OUR PLANS FOR THE AREA BUT
15 ALSO THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN WHICH WILL BE COMING THROUGH THE
16 COASTAL COMMISSION FOR FINAL APPROVAL SOON BECAUSE THIS IS
17 SOMETHING THAT BOTH THE COASTAL PLAN AND OUR PLANS ENCOURAGE.
18 WE ENCOURAGE VISITOR-SERVING USES IN THIS AREA. IT MAY SOUND
19 COUNTER INTUITIVE, BUT WE DO WANT PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO
20 EXPERIENCE IN THE SENSITIVE SETTING EXPERIENCE WHAT IS SPECIAL
21 ABOUT THAT AREA, AND THIS CERTAINLY WILL GIVE US AN
22 OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT. SO WITH THAT PREAMBLE, LET ME JUST
23 MAKE THE FOLLOWING MOTION. OH, AND ONE OTHER THING I WANTED TO
24 MENTION. IT HASN'T ALREADY BEEN MENTIONED. AS PART OF THIS
25 ENTIRE PROJECT, 450 ACRES OF OPEN SPACE IS BEING DEDICATED TO

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1 PERMANENT OPEN SPACE. THAT'S ALWAYS A GOOD WIN FOR NOT JUST
2 THIS GENERATION BUT FUTURE GENERATIONS. SO LET ME MAKE THIS
3 FOLLOWING MOTION. "I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSE
4 THE PUBLIC HEARING, CERTIFY THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
5 INCLUDING THE DRAFT E.I.R., FINAL E.I.R. AND MITIGATION
6 MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM AND ADOPT THE ENVIRONMENTAL
7 FINDINGS OF FACT FOR PROJECT NO. TR071735-3. INDICATE THE
8 BOARD'S INTENT TO APPROVE PROJECT NO. TR071735-3 INCLUDING
9 B.T.T.M., NUMBERS TRO71735 CUP NO. 201100122 AND PARKING
10 PERMIT NO. 2011000005. AND 4, DIRECT THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO
11 PREPARE THE FINAL FINDINGS WITH THE FOLLOWING CLARIFICATION
12 AND BRING BACK FINAL DOCUMENTS FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION
13 AT A FUTURE BOARD MEETING AND THAT CLARIFICATION IS AS
14 FOLLOWS. CLARIFY THAT THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT SHALL
15 PROHIBIT GRADING PRIOR TO THE DEDICATION OF THE 450 ACRES OF
16 PERMANENT OPEN SPACE TO THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE WITH THE
17 EXCEPTION OF ANY MINOR GRADING AND DEMOLITION REQUIRED BY THE
18 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AS A CONDITION OF THAT AGENCY'S
19 ACCEPTANCE OF THE OPEN SPACE." AND THAT'S BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE
20 APPLICANT. THAT'S MY MOTION.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL SECOND THAT. I WOULD JUST
23 ADD -- I THINK THIS IS AN INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY NOT JUST FOR
24 THE DEVELOPMENT ITSELF BUT AS IT RELATES TO THE
25 ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA OF THE GOLF COURSE DEVELOPMENT

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1 AND HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY OF USING PEPPERDINE, S.C. AND
2 U.C.L.A. IN THAT RESEARCH. I'M ONLY AWARE OF REALLY ONE MAJOR
3 GOLF SUPERINTENDENT SORT OF ACADEMY OR INSTITUTE. IT'S BACK ON
4 THE EAST COAST I THINK AROUND DUKE UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY IN
5 NORTH CAROLINA, THIS COULD BE A REAL OPPORTUNITY AS TO THE
6 FUTURE FOR GOLF SUPERINTENDENTS HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO
7 REALLY USE MAJOR UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AS TO HOW TO MAKE THE
8 GOLF COURSES MORE ECOFRIENDLY. NOT NECESSARILY BUILDING NEW
9 ONES, WHICH WOULD BE NICE, BUT JUST THE EXISTING ONES, AS
10 WELL, TOO, SO I THINK THERE'S A REAL OPPORTUNITY HERE. SO WITH
11 THAT, WITHOUT ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION OF QUESTIONS SO BE THE
12 ORDER. THANK YOU ALL AGAIN FOR COMING DOWN. APPRECIATE IT.
13 OKAY.

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF WE COULD GO BACK
16 TO ITEM NO. 2? AND ON THIS ITEM, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE
17 THAT NO MAJORITY PROTESTS EXIST AGAINST THE LEVYING OF ANNUAL
18 ASSESSMENTS FOR PETITIONS 59-1010, 28-611 AND 6-311 PROPOSED
19 FOR ANNEXATION TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687,
20 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AS A
21 RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT
22 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS
23 AND JOINT RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF
24 PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM THE ANNEXATION OF THE
25 TERRITORY.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
3 THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE
4 ORDER.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AND ON ITEM NO. 1,
7 STAFF ARE STILL TABULATING THE BALLOTS. AND SO IF WE COULD PUT
8 THAT ON THE TABLE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S ON THE TABLE.

11

12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** FOR LONGER. AND WE WILL TURN NOW
13 TO ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL CALL UP THOSE FIRST
16 THAT SIGNED UP FOR MULTIPLE ITEMS. MELINDA WAITE ITEMS 12 AND
17 21, ARNOLD SACHS 17,19, 26. 27. PREVEN 12, 10, 17, 26.
18 GENEVIEVE, 15, 20, 29-A. AND O'ROURKE 19, 20, 21, 27 AND 12.

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** WANT ME TO GO RIGHT AHEAD? ERIC PREVEN, I'LL TRY
21 TO MOVE QUICKLY. I WAS SURPRISED THAT ITEM NO. 26 IS A
22 \$350,000 CONTRACT TO HANDLE OUR COMPREHENSIVE A.B.109 NEEDS
23 FROM HEALTHRIGHT 360. IT JUST SEEMS LIKE A VERY SMALL NUMBER,
24 \$350,000 FOR SUCH A BROAD ASSIGNMENT THERE. WE'LL HAVE TO --
25 I'M SURE IT'S JUST A SMALL -- NO. 17, ITEM NO. 17 IS DISTRICT

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1 1 AND DISTRICT 4, NO SORRY, 2 AND 4 ARE ENGAGING MUNGER TOLLES
2 AND OLSON, THE LEGAL FIRM THAT PREVIOUSLY REPRESENTED RICHARD
3 VOLPERT AND RICHARD DROOYAN AND NOW I THINK EACH OF THEM HAS
4 MOVED. DROOYAN'S GONE TO A PLACE CALLED SHEPHERD KIM AND
5 VOLPERT HAS MOVED TO A PLACE CALLED GLASER WEIL. WE DO HAVE
6 STILL A CONTRACT WITH GLASER WEIL. SO I JUST WOULD ASK, I HOPE
7 WE'RE NOT DOUBLE BILLING ON SOME OF THESE MARINA AND CIVIC
8 CENTER ISSUES WHERE THE SUPERVISORS LIKE TO HAVE A VERY CLOSE-
9 KNIT GROUP OF LAWYERS WORKING FOR THEM. I HOPE THAT WE HAVE
10 APPROPRIATE ARM'S-LENGTH DEALINGS AND THAT WE'RE NOT -- THESE
11 GUYS MAKE SOME SERIOUS COIN, TOO. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I
12 ONCE LOOKED AT THE I GUESS IT WAS THE VOLPERT AN AGREEMENT,
13 HE'S GETTING LIKE 32,000 A MONTH. WHICH OVER A PERIOD OF TIME
14 ADDS UP SUBSTANTIALLY, MAYBE MORE, ACTUALLY. OKAY. ITEM NO. 12
15 I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE BOARD. WE ARE MOVING
16 FORWARD WITH THE TRAININGS FOR SEXUAL TRAFFIC IDENTIFICATION,
17 C. SEC. AND I THINK THAT'S GOOD. ALTHOUGH IT HAS BEEN MOVED
18 OFF THE AGENDA, I NOTICE. ITEM NO. 5 WAS THAT PARKS AND REC
19 FEE ISSUE THAT I'M JUST GOING TO TALK ABOUT HERE. BECAUSE IT'S
20 AN ITEM THAT I REALLY CARE ABOUT. WE'RE RAISING ABOUT \$39,000
21 BY JACKING UP CERTAIN FEES OR ADDING FEES WHERE WE HAD FORGOT
22 TO PUT THEM IN PLACE. WHAT'S WORRISOME IS YESTERDAY AT THE
23 BUDGET HEARING, WE HAD A 693, I KID YOU NOT, MILLION DOLLARS
24 UNFUNDED NEEDS BY THE PARKS AND REC GROUP. AND SO HERE WE ARE
25 COMING TO GET SOME OF THAT. BUT WHERE WE ARE NOT WORKING HARD

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1 ENOUGH -- AND I WOULD ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO TAKE THE
2 LEAD HERE -- IS ON RETRIEVING THE MONEY THAT WAS OWED TO THE
3 COUNTY FROM THE BANKS THAT FLIPPED AMERICAN GOLF FOR A
4 SUBSTANTIAL BENEFIT TO THOSE GROUPS, THAT THE COUNTY WAS GIVEN
5 A TOKEN THAT I'M NOT EVEN SURE FINALLY WENT THROUGH OF JUST
6 \$200,000 FOR ALL THE YEARS THAT THEY BENEFITED FROM MANAGING
7 THOSE COURSES FOR US THAT ARE GOLD MINES, JUST TO BE CLEAR,
8 THEY ARE ABSOLUTE GOLD MINES. SO IT IS EXCITING THAT UP IN THE
9 MALIBU HILLS WE ARE GETTING A GOLF RETREAT FOR THE FOLKS AT
10 PEPPERDINE TO LEARN ABOUT. I ABSOLUTELY SUPPORT MAKING THESE
11 GOLF COURSES SUSTAINABLE. BUT THE COUNTY RESIDENTS DESERVES TO
12 BE CUT IN AND WE DO NOT LIKE IT WHEN WALL STREET TAKES
13 ADVANTAGE OF MAIN STREET. AND WE INSIST THAT THE BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS TAKE A LEADING ROLE IN GETTING THAT MONEY THAT'S
15 OWED TO THE COUNTY RESIDENTS. SO THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

18

19 **MELINDA WAITE:** ARE WE DISCUSSING NO. 12?

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND 21.

22

23 **MELINDA WAITE:** AND 21. 1 10 54 YES. I'M MELINDA WAITE. IT'S

24 TALKING ABOUT THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER TO DEVELOP A

25 TRAINING CURRICULUM ON PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION STRATEGIES

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1 ON CHILD TRAFFICKING FOR FOSTER AND GROUP HOME PROVIDERS.
2 THERE IS A STAT OUT THERE THAT 60 PERCENT OF FOSTER CHILDREN
3 END UP ON THE STREETS. I HOPE IT'S NOT A TRUE STAT. BUT I'VE
4 READ IT OVER AND OVER AGAIN. IT HAS COME TO MY PERSONAL
5 ATTENTION THAT THERE IS A GROUP HOME WHO HAS -- WHO WAS
6 AUDITED RECENTLY BY THE COUNTY THAT HOUSES CHILDREN FROM AGES
7 10 TO 18. THE HOME REFUSES TO DRUG TEST THEIR CLIENTS WITHOUT
8 CLEAR ANSWERS AS TO WHY. IT ALSO CAME TO MY ATTENTION THAT THE
9 GROUP HOME HAD TWO SMALL DINGS ON THEIR RECORD BY AUDITORS,
10 BROKEN TILES ON THE DORMITORY ROOF AND A STAIN ON THE DINING
11 ROOM CARPET. IT HAS ALSO COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT THE PLACE
12 IS INFESTED WITH 16, 17-YEAR-OLD DRUG DEALERS INTRODUCING
13 METHAMPHETAMINE TO CHILDREN IN THE ADJOINING DORMITORIES.
14 THESE KIDS ARE AS YOUNG AS 10 YEARS OLD. I'VE REPORTED THIS TO
15 A D.M.H. SOCIAL WORKER WHO FREQUENTS THIS GROUP HOME, AND I
16 WILL ALSO BE SPEAKING TO THE AUDITOR WHO HAS MISSED THIS
17 HARMFUL AND ILLEGAL ACTIVITY. CHILDREN WHO WERE IN TROUBLE
18 BEING EXPOSED TO DRUGS IN THIS PLACE ARE NOW BEING TARGETED BY
19 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, D.M.H. AND D.C.F.S. TO BE PLACED IN
20 THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, THE PROBATION SYSTEM. AND D.M.H.
21 SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF THEMSELVES BECAUSE DRUG ADDICTION IN
22 YOUNG CHILDREN IS A DISEASE MODEL. IT IS NOT A CRIMINAL MODEL.
23 I SAW THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT SITTING HERE WITH -- DISCUSSING
24 THE NEW HANDOUTS AND THE HOOKUP WITH D.C.F.S. TO PROVIDE,
25 QUOTE/UNQUOTE, "MORE SERVICES TO CHILDREN WHO ARE IN TROUBLE".

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1 BUT CRIMINALIZING CHILDREN WHO ARE DRUG-ADDICTED AS A RESULT
2 OF BEING IN YOUR HOMES, YOUR GROUP HOMES, IS OUTRAGEOUS. IT'S
3 A GOOD THING THAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT CHILD TRAFFICKING. BUT THE
4 WHOLE THING IS CHILD TRAFFICKING. AND HOPEFULLY D.M.H. AND
5 D.C.F.S. AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT WILL RECOGNIZE THAT SICK
6 CHILDREN WHO ARE ADDICTED TO DRUGS NEED CARE, NOT PRISON.
7 THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
12 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 15, TO CHANGE THE WORDING DOES
13 NOT MAKE A CHANGE. CHANGE IN BEHAVIOR IS WHAT'S IMPORTANT. AND
14 I THINK TO RENAME THE GOAL IS NOT GOING TO CHANGE ANYTHING,
15 SPECIFICALLY WHEN I READ "TO REFLECT THE COUNTY'S RENEWED
16 FOCUS ON SERVING IN A PROACTIVE AND RESPONSIVE MANNER." YOU
17 KNOW, WHEN WE LOOK AT ITEM 29 HAVING TO DO WITH NURSING HOME,
18 WELL, THE CASE ARE NOT REVIEWED, CASE ARE CLOSED WHEN THE LIFE
19 OF ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS ARE IN DANGER. THAT'S NOT BEING
20 PROACTIVE. I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU'RE COMING FROM. BUT WE'RE
21 NOT COMING FROM THAT PROACTIVE MEANS TO PREVENT DISASTER. AND
22 THAT'S NOT WHAT I HAVE SEEN REPEATEDLY IN THIS COUNTY. A LOT
23 OF THINGS NEED TO CHANGE. AND A FEW YEARS AGO WE PUSHED FOR TO
24 INCREASE THE BOARD FROM 5 TO 9 OR TO 11. I THINK THE TIME HAS
25 COME BECAUSE I DON'T SEE NO CHANGES. I SEE THE SITUATION

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1 GETTING WORSE AND WORSE. YOU DON'T LISTEN. YOU ARE GETTING THE
2 REPORT WHILE DAMNING, TALKING ABOUT D.C.F.S., TALKING ABOUT
3 HOSPITAL, TALKING ABOUT NURSING HOME AND A LOT OF OTHER ISSUES
4 I DON'T EVEN DEAL WITH. BUT I THINK IT IS TIME THAT YOU ARE
5 TRULY PROACTIVE. AND LIKE I SAID, THE NAME OF CHANGE IS NOT
6 GOING TO MAKE ANY CHANGE. THE CHANGE OF BEHAVIOR IS WHAT I
7 WANT TO SEE. I HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR -- TO LOOK AT THE SIGNED
8 LEASE FOR M.L.K. IT HAS TAKEN MANY WEEKS. I'VE NOT SEEN IT YET
9 BUT I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT ON THURSDAY TO TRULY SEE IT. BUT TO
10 TAKE WEEKS TO SEE A DOCUMENT THAT PEOPLE HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEE
11 IN PERSON SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED. AND THAT'S NOT EVEN BEING
12 PROACTIVE, THAT IS BEING ACTIVE. SO PLEASE BE PROACTIVE AND
13 LISTEN TO THE CONSTITUENTS. AND TODAY I'M PROUD ALL FIVE OF
14 YOU ARE HERE WHEN I SPEAK. THAT'S NOT THE CASE MOST OF THE
15 TIME THERE'S ONLY TWO PEOPLE HERE. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

18

19 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE, AS YOU WELL
20 KNOW. I CRITICIZE THIS BOARD FOR ITS LACKADAISICAL AND
21 BASICALLY ENABLING ATTITUDE OF D.C.F.S., D.M.H. AND MANY OTHER
22 DEPARTMENTS. I AM SURPRISED MYSELF THAT FIVE MEMBERS ARE HERE.
23 AS A MATTER OF FACT, IT WAS INTERESTING THAT I HAD AN EXTRA
24 MINUTE OR SO A WHILE BACK BECAUSE THERE WAS ONLY TWO MEMBERS
25 PRESENT AND WE DIDN'T HAVE A FULL QUORUM. BUT OTHER MEMBERS

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1 WHO SPOKE DIDN'T GET THAT TIME. BUT RIGHT NOW I'M HERE TO
2 SPEAK ON THE PROBLEMS WITH NO. 12. PUTTING D.C.F.S. IN CHARGE
3 OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS IS LIKE SAYING I WANT TO PUT A
4 CANCER IN CHARGE OF THE MEDICAL HEALTH OF THE STAFF AND
5 STUDENTS AND A SCHOOL. IT'S RIDICULOUS. LAW ENFORCEMENT NEEDS
6 TO BE IN CHARGE. THEY NEED TO HEAD AND THEY NEED TO HEAD IT
7 UNENCUMBERED BY AN AGENCY THAT'S LOOKING OUT TO PROTECT
8 ITSELF. RIGHT NOW THERE'S A PROTEST OUTSIDE HAPPENING SIMPLY
9 BECAUSE A FOSTER PARENT WHO COMMITTED A CRIME GOT BANNED FROM
10 A FACILITY, FORCING A CHILD TO EAT FOOD IS NOW BEING LOOKED AT
11 FOR ADOPTION OF THE SAME CHILD WHO'S SCARED OF THIS ADULT AND
12 HIS BEHAVIOR. HE GOT BANNED FROM A FACILITY. HOW GROSS IS
13 THAT? BUT YET THE JUDGE DEEMED IT UNCONSEQUENTIAL TO THE
14 ADOPTION OR TO THE HEARING CASE. I APPEAL TO YOU. I AM BEGGING
15 YOU. TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY. THIS IS NOT GOING TO GO AWAY. IT'S
16 ONLY GOING TO GET WORSE. THE MORE YOU BURY IT, THE WORSE IT'S
17 GOING TO GET. I ASK THAT YOU SET UP A SEPARATE LAW ENFORCEMENT
18 GROUP, A TASKFORCE, A SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT, IF YOU WILL,
19 SOLELY FOR SEX CRIMES AND SEX TRAFFICKING WITHIN D.C.F.S. FIVE
20 MEMBERS COULD HEAD UP THE TASKFORCE AND ADD MEMBERS IF NEEDED.
21 BUT HAVING D.C.F.S. MONITOR THEIR OWN IS LIKE PUTTING AL
22 CAPONE IN CHARGE OF THE CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF AL CAPONE. YOU
23 DON'T DO THAT. YOU DON'T PUT THE CRIMINAL TO BE INVESTIGATED
24 IN CHARGE OF AN INVESTIGATION. IT'S CRIMINAL AND IT'S
25 INCOMPETENT. IT'S NEGLIGENCE. MY GOD, YOU GUYS ARE RIDICULOUS

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1 ON SOME OF YOUR CHOICES. I DON'T THINK YOU GUYS KNOW WHAT'S
2 REALLY GOING ON. I THINK YOU GUYS ARE JUST OUT OF YOUR MINDS.
3 ARE YOU GUYS REALLY SERIOUS? ARE YOU GUYS RETARDED? ARE YOU
4 GUYS STUPID? ARE YOU GUYS JUST IGNORANT? OR ARE YOU GUYS JUST
5 GREEDY WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? WE NEED TO KNOW, THE PUBLIC HAS A
6 RIGHT TO KNOW. AND WE HAVE A RIGHT FOR PROPER REFORM AND THE
7 COURTS HAVE A DEMAND THAT YOU FOLLOW THEIR ORDERS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? I'D ASK AND ANTONIA
10 RAMIREZ ON 10, 12 AND 26, PLEASE.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. ACCORDING TO YOUR GREEN SHEET,
13 12 HAS BEEN CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TWO WEEKS.

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SO WHY ARE YOU DISCUSSING IT?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE WE BROUGHT IT BACK ON. IT'S BACK
20 ON THE AGENDA.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOUR STAFF DIDN'T NOTICE THAT. ANYWAY, I DID
23 HOLD A FEW ITEMS.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE NOTICED IT RIGHT UP FRONT.

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1

2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** EXCUSE ME?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE NOTICED IT RIGHT UP FRONT. IT HAD
5 BEEN WITHDRAWN FROM CONTINUANCE. NO, ON 12.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I HELD ITEM 19, YOU KNOW IT DEALS WITH THE
8 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS ACTUALLY, WELL,
9 WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS. BUT IT'S ACTUALLY TWO ITEMS
10 BECAUSE IT ALSO DEALS WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WORKFORCE
11 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. AND BASED ON THE ACTIONS YOU TOOK LAST
12 WEEK BY DENYING THE FUNDING TO THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD,
13 WHICH IS DIFFERENT THAN THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF L.A.,
14 JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY, THE \$1 MILLION THAT QUOTE/UNQUOTE WAS
15 SUPPOSEDLY MISAPPROPRIATED, DO YOU HAVE THE AUTHORITY AND THE
16 ABILITY TO GO IN AND AUDIT THE CITY OF L.A.'S WORKFORCE
17 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT? BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT
18 HERE. HOW DO YOU JUSTIFY THE EXPENSES THERE? NOW, THESE
19 WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS, WELL THOSE ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE
20 THAT'S NOT A CITY AGENCY. THOSE ARE BOARDS. SO YOU DO HAVE
21 THAT AUTHORITY. AND YOU MELD THEM TOGETHER AS ONE ACTION WHEN
22 IN FACT THEY'RE TWO DIFFERENT DISTINCT ACTIONS. ONE IS DEALING
23 WITH THE CITY OF L.A. AND ONE IS DEALING WITH OUTSIDE
24 DEPARTMENT INVESTMENT BOARDS. AND IT'S JUST MORE OF THE BOARD
25 WORKING AS IT USUALLY DOES. I HELD ITEM 26. THE ASSEMBLY BILL

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1 109 POPULATION. THAT'S THE RE-ALIGNMENT PEOPLE, ISN'T IT,
2 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? WHY DON'T YOU CALL IT WHAT IT IS? THE
3 RE-ALIGNMENT PEOPLE. ITEM 27, THE RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE.
4 WHEN DO YOU ADDRESS SMOKING AND OBESITY IN A RETIREE HEALTH
5 INSURANCE? THE PUBLIC IS ACTUALLY PAYING FOR THAT. THERE ARE
6 NUMEROUS CITIES THAT ARE BANNING SMOKING THROUGHOUT THE
7 COUNTY. ARE YOU BANNING SMOKING? ARE YOU REQUIRING RETIREES
8 WHO SMOKE AND PEOPLE THAT ARE OBESE TO PAY MORE FOR THEIR
9 HEALTH INSURANCE? OR DID THAT JUST GO ON THE PUBLIC BILL? ITEM
10 29-A IS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTIONS THAT
11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH PUT A MOTION IN. NURSING HOMES. BUT DO
12 YOU WANT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES TO GO OUT TO DO
13 D.C.F.S. INSPECTIONS ON CHILDREN UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE? SO HOW
14 DO YOU HAVE PERSONNEL TO GO OUT AND INSPECT THE CHILDREN UNDER
15 ONE YEAR OF AGE WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE THE PERSONNEL TO GO OUT
16 AND CLOSE CASES AT NURSING HOMES? WELL, WE KNOW. YOU CAN DO
17 IT. AND ITEM 12, SINCE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT IT, MOST OF THESE
18 HOMES, YOU HAD THAT ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA ONCE BEFORE, WHERE
19 STATE HOMES, LICENSED BY THE STATE, YOU'RE GOING GET THE STATE
20 HOMES TO ADJUST TO COUNTY RULES AND REGULATIONS WHEN YOU DON'T
21 FOLLOW THE STATE LAWS? THIS IS GOING TO BE SOME KIND OF
22 MIRACLE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

25

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1 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** AGAIN, I'D LIKE TO GO AHEAD AND START ON NO.
2 10, THAT'S UNDER SUBMITTED BY ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. I WOULD LIKE TO
3 GO AHEAD AND SAY THAT ALL MILITARY VETERANS, WHETHER THEY ARE
4 UNIFORMED OR UNUNIFORMED, ACTIVE OR INACTIVE SHOULD ALL BE
5 ABLE TO PARK AT THE WILL ROGERS STATE BEACH FREE OF CHARGE.
6 THAT INCLUDES ALL UNITED STATES MILITARY VETERANS AND THEIR
7 FAMILIES AND ALL PILOTS, INCLUDING MY DAREDEVIL PILOTS
8 EXTRAORDINAIRE FROM GILLESPIE. ALL PILOTS, BECAUSE MOST OF
9 THEM ARE MILITARY, GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES MILITARY. SO
10 THEY SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO GO INTO THE WILL ROGERS STATE BEACH
11 PARK AND PARK FREELY. I THINK THAT'S THE LEAST WE CAN DO WITH
12 A COUPLE OF HOT DOGS AND HAMBURGERS AND POPCORN. I THINK WE
13 COULD AFFORD THAT. AND I THINK THAT WOULD BE A LOVELY THING TO
14 DO FOR THEM. GOD BLESS THEM. AND I WANT TO ALSO THANK CHAIRMAN
15 DON KNABE FOR ALLOWING TO EXTEND COUNTY SERVICES TO OUR
16 MILITARY VETERANS. THAT'S A WONDERFUL THING. DON KNABE, YOU
17 SHOULD BOW DOWN AND BE PROUD OF YOURSELF. THAT'S A WONDERFUL
18 ACCOMPLISHMENT. I HEARD IT ON THE NEWS AND I WAS JUST JUMPING
19 FOR JOY. THANK YOU. AND ON ITEM NO. 12, SUBMITTED BY
20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, REGARDING THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN
21 AND FAMILY SERVICES, I DEMAND THAT ALL CHILD SERVICES
22 PERSONNEL, STAFF BE ORDERED TO WATCH THE SOUND OF MUSIC. IT
23 TEACHES THEM VALUES, MORALS, HAPPINESS, JOY, PEACE AND LOVE.
24 AND I SWEAR I WATCH IT ALL THE TIME AND I JUST LOVE IT BECAUSE
25 IT BRINGS ME BACK TO CHRISTOPHER PLUMBER, GOD HE WAS GORGEOUS.

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1 AND JULIE ANDREWS. I MEAN, THE JOY, THE LAUGHTER, THE
2 EXCITEMENT. AND WE NEED A LITTLE OF THAT. WE NEED TO GET OUR
3 ADRENALINE PUMPING WITH JOY AND LAUGHTER. AND WHAT MORE JOY IS
4 BY WATCHING THAT WONDERFUL, PURE AND WHOLESOME MOVIE, THE
5 SOUND OF MUSIC. IT NEVER GETS OLD. MORALS AND DECENCY AND
6 HUMAN DIGNITY NEVER WEARS OUT. IT'S A WONDERFUL THING. IT'S
7 THE FABRIC OF AMERICA. THAT'S WHAT MAKES AMERICA STAND OUT.
8 BECAUSE WE STILL HAVE HUMAN DIGNITY. AMERICA, THIS IS THE
9 GREATEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD. AND THANK GOD FOR THAT
10 WONDERFUL MOVIE, "THE SOUND OF MUSIC." SO AGAIN, ALL COUNTY
11 BOARD MEMBERS, IF YOU'VE NOT SEEN THAT MOVIE, "THE SOUND OF
12 MUSIC," PLEASE WATCH IT. I ENJOY IT. I SIT DOWN AND EAT MY
13 TACOS AND I WATCH "THE SOUND OF MUSIC." I LOVE IT. GOD BLESS
14 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. AND MILITARY, GOD BLESS YOU.
15 THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US?

18

19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE
20 THIS BOARD. ITEM NO. 10, 12, 17, 19, 20, 26, 27 AND 29-A.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY THE CHAIR. SECONDED BY
23 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24

25 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. SEVERAL NUMBERS?

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1

2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I ASK RECONSIDERATION.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH ITEM?

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ITEM 12. I JUST WANT TO ADD THREE

7 DEPARTMENTS TO BE INCLUDED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY WHAT ABOUT RECONSIDERATION?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ADD THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,

12 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

13 ON ITEM 12.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY WITH THAT, MARK?

16

17 **MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I AM.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, ON ITEM 12, THEN, MOVED BY

20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITH THOSE

21 CHANGES AND ADDITIONS, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE

22 HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS? DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER?

23

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** WE HAVE A COUPLE ITEMS. ITEM NO.
2 15 WAS BEING HELD BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. MR. YAROSLAVSKY,
3 IS THAT THE ONLY ITEM?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS IS 15.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT THE ONLY ITEM?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE ONLY ITEM I'M HOLDING.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT THE ONLY ITEM LEFT?

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO. ITEM 21.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD, MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'D LIKE TO ADD AS
18 AN AMENDMENT TO ITEM 15, "I MOVE THAT THE C.E.O. BE INSTRUCTED
19 TO REVISE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES STRATEGIC PLANNING TO
20 INCORPORATE THE FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BLUE RIBBON
21 COMMISSION ON CHILD PROTECTION, PARTICULARLY AS THEY RELATE TO
22 THE INTEGRATION OF SERVICES ACROSS DEPARTMENTS AND ACROSS
23 DEPARTMENTAL POLICY CLUSTERS. SO THAT THIS STRATEGIC PLAN THAT
24 WE'RE VOTING ON WILL INCORPORATE THE B.R.C.'S RECOMMENDATIONS
25 AND WORK PRODUCT." THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD JUST, IF WE CAN BIFURCATE THIS?
3 I DON'T SUPPORT YOUR ADDITION ON ITEM 15. I SUPPORT THE OTHER
4 TWO. SO IF WE COULD BIFURCATE THE ITEM?

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S FINE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MY POINT IS, MR. CHAIRMAN, WE'RE IN THE
9 PROCESS OF APPOINTING THE TRANSITION TEAM. AND UNTIL THAT
10 TRANSITION TEAM HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THOSE
11 RECOMMENDATIONS AND MAKE A REPORT TO THE BOARD, IT WOULD BE
12 PREMATURE TO AUTHORIZE THEIR SUPPORT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS,
13 OTHERWISE WHY EVEN HAVE A TRANSITION TEAM?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I CONCUR. AND THAT'S MY OPPOSITION, AS
16 WELL, TOO.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, MR. CHAIRMAN, NOT TO GET INTO A
19 PROLONGED DEBATE ABOUT IT, BUT THE BOARD DID APPROVE THE
20 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION. AND ALL I WANT
21 TO BE SURE THAT WE DO IS THAT IN THIS STRATEGIC PLAN THAT WE
22 REFLECT THAT, THAT WE DON'T HAVE A STRATEGIC PLAN THAT SAYS
23 THIS AND THE B.R.C. RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE HAVE APPROVED THAT
24 ARE DISCONNECTED FROM IT. THAT'S BEEN PART OF OUR PROBLEM. SO
25 I DON'T THINK IT'S AS BIG A DEAL -- I UNDERSTAND YOUR POSITION

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1 ON IT. BUT I THINK IN IS JUST BEING CONSISTENT, INTERNALLY
2 CONSISTENT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I JUST WOULD DISAGREE. I THINK IT IS A
5 BIG DEAL BECAUSE YOU'RE PREMATURE IN SUGGESTING THAT BECAUSE
6 THE TRANSITION TEAM'S GOING TO BE OPERATING OFF THAT
7 PARTICULAR PLAN AND THEN AT SOME POINT IT WOULD BE A PART OF
8 THE STRATEGIC PLAN. SO IF WE COULD JUST BIFURCATE ITEM 15?
9 YES, SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN, I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE
12 WHOLE ISSUE OF IF YOU LOOK AT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION IS
13 TALKING ABOUT A GOOD DEAL OF PLANNING THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.
14 IF YOU LOOK AT THE STRATEGIC PLAN THAT IS INVOLVED, AS WELL,
15 IT HAS A SERIES OF ISSUES THAT ARE INCORPORATING A LOT OF
16 FUTURE PLANNING, PARTICULARLY WITH TRAINING AND THE
17 DEVELOPMENT OF CURRICULUM AND PROGRAMS, OF WHICH BOTH
18 DEPARTMENTS, BOTH THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION AS WELL AS THE
19 DEPARTMENT HAVE BEEN ADDRESSING. I THINK IT'S ABOUT
20 INCORPORATING IT INTO A PLAN. THIS BOARD DID APPROVE THOSE
21 RECOMMENDATIONS. I THINK IT'S SORT OF GIVING AN OPPORTUNITY
22 FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO START WORKING IN WHAT WE CALL THE
23 PARTNERSHIP OF THIS BOARD'S ACTION AND THE BLUE RIBBON
24 COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT AS FAR AS
25 IMPLEMENTATION, THE TRANSITION COMMITTEE IS GOING TO BE

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1 DISCUSSING PRIORITIES AS AMONGST ALL THE RECOMMENDATIONS. BUT
2 I DO THINK IT GIVES AN OPPORTUNITY TO INCORPORATE IT WITHIN
3 THE FRAMEWORK OF STRATEGIC PLANNING. I HATE TO SEE IT
4 DISMISSED AS SOMETHING THAT'S SEPARATE AND APART. AS I DON'T
5 WANT TO GET INTO A BATTLE ABOUT IT. IT'S NOT ALL THAT
6 SIGNIFICANT FROM THE STANDPOINT, BUT I JUST WANT TO PUT IT ON
7 THE PLATFORM THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A STRATEGIC PLAN THAT
8 HAS TO BE BACKED BY THIS BOARD. IF IT'S COMING IN ON TWO
9 DIFFERENT LEVELS, THEN WE ARE CONTINUING TO DO WHAT THE
10 COMMISSION SAID WAS THE BIGGEST PROBLEM WITH THE COUNTY
11 OVERALL AND THAT WAS -- I'M JUST TRYING TO MAKE A POINT THAT
12 IT'S NOT ABOUT OPERATING IN SILOS. IT'S ABOUT WORKING IN
13 PARTNERSHIP IN THE BEST INTEREST OF CHILDREN. AND I JUST THINK
14 THAT THERE'S A LOT OF OWNERSHIP AND A LOT OF PEOPLE MIGHT BE
15 OFFENDED BY THE CRITICISM OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION BUT IT
16 WAS ALL IN AN OPERATION OF TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO PLAN
17 TOGETHER IN A COLLECTIVE WAY. NOW, I THINK THE BLUE RIBBON
18 COMMISSION HAS UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY AND INDEPENDENCE THAT
19 IT WILL HOPEFULLY LOOK AT ALL ASPECTS OF HOW THIS IS ALL
20 IMPLEMENTED, BUT I THINK THE MOTION SPEAKS WELL TO THE
21 OPPORTUNITY OF BUILDING A VERY STRONG PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
22 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, THE TRANSITION TEAM AND TRYING TO
23 INCORPORATE WITH IT THE WISHES OF THIS BOARD.
24

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I JUST WOULD ADD THAT THIS BOARD
2 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE STRATEGIC PLAN ONCE BEFORE FOR THE
3 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND THEN DIDN'T LET
4 US IMPLEMENT IT. SO HERE WE ARE AGAIN. SO THAT'S MY POINT.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT DO YOU MEAN "DIDN'T LET US IMPLEMENT IT"?
7 WE'VE BEEN IMPLEMENTING IT EVER SINCE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT BUT WE DIDN'T FINISH IT. WE TRIED
10 AND NOW TRYING TO RECREATE IT AGAIN WITH THE B.R.C.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT IS ON THE STRATEGIC PLAN THAT WE ARE
13 RECREATING?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABOUT 40 OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS.
16 ANYWAY, WE'LL BIFURCATE THE ITEM, ITEM 15 AS PRESENTED ON THE
17 AGENDA. IS THERE ANY OBJECTIONS TO THOSE TWO? IF NOT, SO
18 ORDERED. THEN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S AMENDMENT TO ITEM 15
19 ROLL CALL, PLEASE.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

24

25 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1

2 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE.

3

4 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

5

6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AYE.

7

8 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

9

10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NO.

11

12 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR KNABE?

13

14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: NO.

15

16 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THE MOTION CARRIES.

17

18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MOTION PASSES. WE DO HAVE SOME FOLKS

19 THAT SIGNED UP. I GUESS TERESIJA SIGMUND AND ARNOLD SACHS.

20

21 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.

22 AND THIS IS REALLY FASCINATING. MS. MOLINA AND A FEW OTHER

23 SUPERVISORS MENTIONED A BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE. AND THE

24 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE. AND YOU'RE

25 BIFURCATING THE ITEM. SO ARE YOU BIFURCATING THE

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1 RECOMMENDATION? OH, EXCUSE ME. NOT THE RECOMMENDATIONS. THE
2 INITIATIVES THAT WERE BROUGHT FORTH BY THE DEPARTMENT HEAD,
3 THE 31 INITIATIVES, YOU HAD TWO WEEKS AGO THAT THE HEAD OF THE
4 D.C.F.S. BROUGHT BEFORE YOU, WHICH AREN'T REALLY
5 RECOMMENDATIONS, THEY'RE INITIATIVES. AND THE DIFFERENCE
6 BETWEEN THE TWO? WHO KNOWS? IT'S JUST ALL IN LANGUAGE, BLAH,
7 BLAH, BLAH. SO WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE? WHAT ARE THE
8 RECOMMENDATIONS JUST TALK ABOUT THE 40 RECOMMENDATIONS AND
9 WOULD THE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE DOING ITS RECOMMENDING, WHAT
10 IS THE HEAD OF THE D.C.F. DOING WITH 31 INITIATIVES? AND THE
11 FUNDING FOR THE 31 INITIATIVES. AND THE FUNDING FOR THE
12 RECOMMENDATIONS. WELL, LET'S NOT FORGET SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
13 TALKING ABOUT 650 FUNDED UNFILLED POSITIONS THAT YOU
14 AUTHORIZED TWO YEARS AGO. NOW IT'S THREE YEARS AGO. SO WHERE
15 DID THAT MONEY GO TO? LET'S JUST ASSUME THAT A STARTING WORKER
16 FOR D.C.F.S. GETS \$40,000, THAT'S NOT SAYING WHAT YOU FUNDED
17 FOR THOSE POSITIONS BUT LET'S JUST SAY \$40,000. AT 500
18 POSITIONS, THAT'S \$20 MILLION. WHERE'S THE MONEY? BIG DEAL.
19 B.F.D. AS THE MAYOR WOULD SAY. YOU TALK ABOUT \$1 MILLION FOR
20 MISAPPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD. WHERE'S
21 THE \$20 MILLION? AND AGAIN, WHY IS THE DEPARTMENT HEAD WORKING
22 ON 21, 31 INITIATIVES AND THE FUNDING FOR THOSE AND YOU'RE
23 OVER HERE TALKING ABOUT RECOMMENDATIONS FROM A BLUE RIBBON
24 COMMISSION. WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE INITIATIVES? WHEN
25 DOES THAT HAPPEN? YOU OUGHT TO GET A HAND FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PUSHING YOUR LUCK, MR. SACHS. MA'AM, GO
3 AHEAD?

4

5 **TERESIJA SIGMUND:** I JUST FIND IT VERY STRANGE YOU ARE ALL
6 TALKING ABOUT THIS RECOMMENDATIONS AND EVERYTHING AND THE
7 PHILIP BROWNING GUY SAID HOW HE'S MORE FOR FAMILY
8 REUNIFICATION, HOWEVER THIS MOTHER OUT HERE WHO IS FACING
9 TERMINATION OF HER PARENTAL RIGHTS TOMORROW IS NOT SEEING ANY
10 OF THE RESULTS. HOW CAN YOU SAY ON ONE HAND YOU LOOK TO
11 REUNIFY FAMILIES AND THE OTHER HAND THE REALITY IS YOU GO ON
12 AS USUAL. NOTHING WAS CHANGED. IN FACT, THE D.C.F.S. IS VERY
13 SUCCESSFUL AT WHAT THEY DO. IT'S AN ADOPTION MACHINE. AND
14 THEY'RE VERY GOOD AT THAT. THE WOMAN IN QUESTION, HER
15 CHILDREN, HER DAUGHTER WAS FORCED TO EAT OUT OF THE TRASH.
16 FRUIT. IT'S NO BIG DEAL TO YOU, I GET THAT, I HAVE SEEN THAT.
17 BUT THE REALITY IS HOW -- HOW IS IT POSSIBLE THAT IF A PARENT
18 DID THAT, SHE WOULD HAVE AN OPEN PETITION AND IF A FOSTER
19 CUSTODIAN DOES IT, GO TO THE ADOPTION MACHINE RIGHT AWAY. MOVE
20 ALONG. NOTHING HERE TO SEE. HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE? YOU HAVE
21 RULES BY LAW THAT SAY -- AND I HAVE THE POSTER -- THAT THE
22 CHILD IS BY LAW FREE, GRANTED THE FREEDOM OF ANY ABUSE,
23 EMOTIONAL OR PHYSICAL AND HAS A RIGHT TO BE TREATED WITH
24 RESPECT. THIS IS YOUR LITTLE FLYER. I BROUGHT THAT FLYER WHEN
25 MY CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. IN FACT, I CAN'T EVEN BRING MY

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1 CHILDREN INSIDE THIS ROOM WHEN I'M SPEAKING BECAUSE THE
2 D.C.F.S. THREATENED TO MAKE A PETITION AGAINST ME. I MEAN,
3 THIS IS SO CORRUPT. YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANYTHING FROM THE
4 PARENTS. MY CHILDREN JUST TOLD ME AND REPORTED TO THE FAMILY
5 PRESERVATION LADY THEY WERE LOCKED IN THEIR ROOM BECAUSE THEY
6 CRIED AND HE WAS ONLY LET OUT WHEN HE STOPPED CRYING. HE WAS
7 GIVEN ALCOHOL TO DRINK. AND IT'S VERY HARD FOR PARENTS TO FIND
8 THESE THINGS OUT WHEN THE KIDS IN FOSTER CARE BECAUSE IF YOUR
9 CHILD TELLS YOU SOMETHING, YOU GET INTERRUPTED, VISIT
10 TERMINATED. THERE IS NO WAY, AND THE COURTS GET BULLIED INTO
11 NOT GRANTING ANYTHING AGAINST D.C.F.S. RECOMMENDATIONS, SO
12 THEY DON'T MOVE. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. ITEM 21. MR. RIDLEY-
15 THOMAS, I BELIEVE YOU HELD THAT ITEM, ITEM 21?

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SIMPLY A READ-IN AND A REPORT-BACK ON THE
18 ITEM, MR. CHAIRMAN. SIMPLY A READ-IN AND REPORT BACK ON THE
19 ITEM, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, PERTAINING TO IMPROVING
20 ACCESS TO SERVICES THAT PROMOTE PERMANENCY. A LOT OF GOOD WORK
21 HAS BEEN DONE. STUDIES HAVE BEEN PERFORMED ON THIS MATTER AS
22 IT RELATES TO CHILD PROTECTION AND SERVICES. IT IS WELL
23 DOCUMENTED. THE STUDY AT U.C.L.A. TIES FOR FAMILY PROGRAM. AND
24 THE ANCILLARY AND SUPPORTING WORK I THINK WE'LL BENEFIT FROM.
25 SO I THINK THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AS WELL AS THE

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1 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, IF THEY WOULD JUST
2 SIMPLY REPORT BACK TO US ON THE FOLLOWING DATA THAT HAS
3 DEMOGRAPHIC IMPLICATIONS COUNTY-WIDE AND THE EFFICACY OF THE
4 EVALUATION OF THOSE PROGRAMS AND OTHER OPTIONS TO BE EXPLORED
5 PURSUANT TO THEIR 60-DAY TURN-AROUND OF A REPORT BACK. I THINK
6 THE BOARD AND THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS WILL BE BENEFITED BY
7 IT. AND SO I SIMPLY OFFER THAT AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THAT
8 WOULD AUGMENT ITEM NO. 21.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOU WANT TO MAKE IT PART OF 21?

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PRECISELY.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, YOU SIGNED UP FOR THIS?

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, AGAIN, THANK YOU AGAIN ARNOLD SACHS. YOU'RE
17 DISCUSSING THE AMOUNT OF REPORTS THAT HAD STATED THAT THIS IS
18 SUCH A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL IDEA. I
19 BELIEVE THERE'S PROBABLY SOME REPORTS OUT THERE THAT WOULD
20 TELL YOU THAT LOWERING THE CASELOADS OF D.C.F.S. CHILD
21 PROTECTION WORKERS MIGHT ALSO HELP IN THIS TRANSITION OF
22 CHILDREN FROM FOSTER CARE TO ADOPTION. I'M SURE THERE'S GOT TO
23 BE ONE OR TWO OR MAYBE 50 OR 60 REPORTS, EVEN ACTION TAKEN BY
24 THE BOARD THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE HAPPENED TO LOWER THE
25 CASELOAD FOR THE WORKERS. BUT, YOU KNOW, THERE'S NOBODY HERE

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1 FROM S.E.I.U., SO THEY'RE NOT GOING TO SAY ANYTHING. SO WHERE
2 DOES THAT STAND AS FAR AS ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD TO
3 ACTUALLY LOWER THE CASELOADS OF THE WORKERS SO THAT THEY'RE
4 MORE IN LINE WITH I DON'T WANT TO SAY INSANITY BECAUSE THEY
5 HAVE A WAY TO GO TO BECOME INSANE. BUT AGAIN JUST QUESTIONING
6 WITH THE REPORTS THAT YOU HAVE AVAILABLE AND ALL THE
7 INFORMATION YOU HAVE, WHY ISN'T THAT INCLUDED?

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AS AMENDED MOVED BY
10 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER. I BELIEVE WE STILL HAVE
12 ITEM NO. 1 THAT HAS BEEN TABULATED OR HASN'T?

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** IT IS STILL BEING TABULATED. IF WE
15 COULD DO ADJOURNMENTS.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? PROCEED
18 WITH YOU WERE ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE A COUPLE. THAT WE MOVE IN MEMORY
23 TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HELEN HANSEN WHO WAS BORN IN LONG
24 BEACH AND PASSED ON JUNE 14TH AT THE AGE OF 79. SHE GRADUATED
25 FROM LONG BEACH POLY HIGH SCHOOL AND STANFORD UNIVERSITY. SHE

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1 SERVED AS PRINCIPAL OF THE LAKEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL AND
2 SUPERINTENDENT TO HIGH SCHOOLS. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN MANY
3 ORGANIZATIONS. SHE ALSO SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN
4 WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, SERVED AS A WATER
5 COMMISSIONER. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED WITH THE ASSISTANCE
6 LEAGUE, PARTICULARLY THE CAMEO PROGRAM. SOROPTIMISTS
7 INTERNATIONAL AND OTHERS. SHE WAS MARRIED TO LOGAN IN 1959.
8 HAD AN INCREDIBLY STRONG FAMILY WITH THEIR CHILDREN. THEY
9 ENJOYED STANFORD FOOTBALL, CYCLING, HIKING, WALKING TOURS IN
10 THE UNITED STATES, EUROPE AND ASIA, SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO
11 CHILDREN, BILL AND PERI, A NIECE, NEPHEWS AND GOD CHILDREN.
12 SHE WILL BE TRULY MISSED A GREAT CITIZEN OF LONG BEACH. ALSO
13 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHARILY MCMULLEN WHO PASSED AWAY JUNE
14 6TH AFTER A LONG STRUGGLE WELL-CANCER. BORN IN COLORADO GREW
15 UP IN ALASKA WHERE MANY OF HER FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORIES
16 WERE FLYING THE DELIVERY ROUTE WITH A MAILMAN IN A SINGLE
17 ENGINE PLANE. THEY MOVED TO MANHATTAN BEACH AND SHE MET ROBERT
18 BECAME HER HUSBAND OF 53 YEARS. VERY INVOLVED IN SOROPTIMISTS,
19 LOCAL P.T.A.S SHE WAS DEVOTED TO HER NEW HOMETOWN OF MANHATTAN
20 BEACH AND SERVED 25 YEARS ON THE HOMETOWN FAIR COMMITTEE. SHE
21 SERVED IN EVERY CAPACITY INCLUDING PRESIDENT. SHE'S SURVIVED
22 BY HER MOTHER MARJORIE, HUSBAND ROBERT, CHILDREN LECIA AND
23 SHAWN AND HER FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS
24 AND SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE
2 FOLLOWING AS WE ADJOURN OUR MEETING, A VERY GOOD FRIEND,
3 COMMUNITY LEADER, PAULA KENT MEEHAN, COFOUNDER OF THE REDKEN
4 HAIR CARE PRODUCTS COMPANY WHO RECENTLY PURCHASED THE "BEVERLY
5 HILLS COURIER" NEWSPAPER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82. SHE WAS
6 ALSO PROLIFIC ACTRESS IN THE 50S AND 60S, ROLE MODEL FOR
7 ENTREPRENEURS, SELECTED AS ONE OF THE TOP 50 WOMEN BUSINESS
8 OWNERS BY "WORKING WOMAN" MAGAZINE. PRESIDENT OF THE BEVERLY
9 HILLS PET CARE FOUNDATION. MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
10 UNION BANK AND THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF LOYOLA MARYMONT
11 UNIVERSITY. SHE HAD BEEN THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ECONOMIC
12 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF CALIFORNIA. HER CHARITABLE
13 ACTIVITIES INCLUDED THE WALLIS ANNENBERG CENTER FOR THE
14 PERFORMING ARTS AND THE BEVERLY HILLS 911 MEMORIAL GARDEN. AND
15 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JOHN. SHE WAS QUITE AN
16 INTERESTING LADY. HAD MANY SUCCESSFUL -- HER REDKEN HAIR CARE
17 PRODUCTS IN JAPAN, ONE OF THE TOP PRODUCTS OVER THERE. SHE WAS
18 JUST A GREAT INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LADY AND VERY INVOLVED
19 WITH THE ANIMALS, HELPING ANIMALS, AS WELL. IT'S INTERESTING.
20 HER HOME IS THE FORMER HOME OF ELVIS PRESLEY IN BEVERLY HILLS.

21

22 **SUP YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PAUL EDWIN CARLTON LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
25 GLENDALE. OKAY, ALL MEMBERS. GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A. SERVING

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1 UNITED STATES NAVY WAS A MEMBER OF THE GLENDALE PRESBYTERIAN
2 CHURCH BUT HE WORKED FOR TIDEWATER/GETTY OIL COMPANY FOR 32
3 YEARS WHEN HE RETIRED. JAMES GREENE OF THE SANTA CLARITA
4 VALLEY WAS A FORMER UNITED STATES MARINE AND A LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY SHERIFF. HE WAS A LIFE MEMBER OF THE VETERANS OF
6 FOREIGN WARS POST 6885 AND THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 507 AND
7 THE FIRST MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION AND HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
8 THREE CHILDREN AND FOUR BROTHERS. BEVERLY HOMER, LONGTIME
9 RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87
10 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR THE CASTAIC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
11 ALSO ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE PIONEERS AND MEMBER
12 OF HER CHURCH. MARY LOU DOWNER, 60 YEAR RESIDENT OF SAN MARINO
13 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. GRADUATE OF MONTICELLO AND
14 POMONA COLLEGE AFTER GRADUATING IN 1942, SHE WORKED IN A
15 NUMBER OF POSITIONS. SHE PUBLISHED MULTIPLE CHILDREN'S BOOKS
16 AND WROTE A REGULAR COLUMN. SHE WAS THE FIRST ONE TO VISIT
17 CHINA AFTER IT REOPENED TO THE WEST IN THE 1970S. SHE'S
18 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND DAN AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. WILLIAM
19 B. WHITNEY. LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA. ALSO MEMBER OF
20 THE FORMER MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE. WORKED FOR
21 THE WHITTAKER CORPORATION FOR 40 YEARS AND THE LAST 10 YEARS
22 FOR MAGIC MOUNTAIN. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND 7 CHILDREN.
23 COLEEN ARMBRECHT, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
24 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. ALCIDES RIVERA PASSED AWAY ON
25 JUNE 16TH. SHE WAS A DEPUTY SHERIFF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND HER LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE NARCOTICS
2 BUREAU. AND DEPUTY MICHAEL MARTINEZ FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 13TH. AND HE WAS ALSO
4 RETIRED FROM THE NARCOTICS BUREAU IN MARCH OF 2004. THOSE ARE
5 MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

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9 >>**SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY
10 ADJOURNMENTS?

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, ALLOW ME TO
13 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JONI MAE RICKS. SHE WAS BORN JULY 20TH,
14 1921 IN PALESTINE, TEXAS. SHE PASSED AWAY ON JUNE THE 12TH AT
15 THE AGE OF 92. AFTER GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, SHE MET AND
16 MARRIED LINK WEBSTER RICKS AND MOVED TO LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS A
17 DEDICATED ADVOCATE AND SUPPORTER OF CIVIL RIGHTS, VOTING
18 RIGHTS, HIGHER EDUCATION, CHILDREN'S ISSUES, INCLUDING FOSTER
19 CARE, FAMILY PRESERVATION AND SENIOR CITIZEN ISSUES. MISS
20 RICKS WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A COMMUNITY AMBASSADOR AND FOR HER
21 CONTINUED PURSUIT OF A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE. SHE IS SURVIVED
22 BY DR. BORIS RICKS OF A HOST OF GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT
23 GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY FAMILY
24 AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HER DEARLY. JONI MAE RICKS, MR.
25 CHAIRMAN.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ZEV -- SUPERVISOR
3 MOLINA, YOU DIDN'T HAVE ANY, DID YOU?

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY THEN WE'LL GO BACK TO ITEM NO. 1.

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM NO. 1, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
10 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOT, A
11 DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT A MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS
12 AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AND LEVYING ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS
13 FOR THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT DISTRICTS NO. 2, ZONES
14 37, CASTAIC, HILLCREST AND 43, ROWLAND HEIGHTS. AS A RESULT,
15 IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO TERMINATE THE
16 PROCEEDINGS AND REFER THE MATTER BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 PARKS AND RECREATION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT, THAT TABULATION OF
20 OPPOSITION, SO ORDERED. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
21 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

24

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BE REFERRED BACK. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.

2 PUBLIC COMMENTS?

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4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** PUBLIC COMMENTS.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PATRICK O'ROURKE. LORI MARTIN. MICHAEL

7 CALDER. AND ARNOLD SACHS.

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9 **LORI MARTIN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, LORI MARTIN

10 FROM RIVERSIDE COUNTY. CALIFORNIA REJECTS BID TO RESTORE

11 FUNDING FOR CHILD WELFARE COURTS. I GUESS YOU WERE RIGHT, MISS

12 MOLINA, THE COURTS ARE WATCHING. WHETHER YOUR BOARD

13 UNDERSTANDS OR NOT, THERE WERE 205 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

14 COMPLAINTS SENT OUT IN JANUARY CONCERNING THIS COUNTY. SOME OF

15 THE COMPLAINTS WERE KICKED BACK, BUT SOME OF THEM WERE NOT.

16 SOME OF US REQUESTED CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION. SO I WONDER IF

17 THIS PUT A KINK IN YOUR PLANS FOR \$30 MILLION. THEN WE'LL GO

18 BACK TO THE 15-PAGE AUDIT THAT COST YOU \$9 MILLION. THEN I'M

19 GOING TO ALSO REQUEST ONCE AGAIN HOW MUCH WAS EDELMAN FINED

20 FOR A.D.A. ACCESS BOARD VIOLATIONS? WOULD YOU LIKE THIS TO

21 CONTINUE? I'M NOT AS STUPID AS PEOPLE THINK AND I LOVE TO PLAY

22 THAT, THOUGH. ANY TIME I'M NOT IN THIS BOARD HEARING, I AM

23 RESEARCHING WAYS TO GET YOU SHUT DOWN FOR D.C.F.S. I HAVE IN

24 MY MINOR RECORDS PROOF THAT I WAS LEFT WITH A PEDOPHILE IN

25 1991. THEY IDENTIFIED HIS NAME, THE FACT THAT HE WAS A

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1 CONVICTED CHILD MOLESTER AND THEY DIDN'T REMOVE ME. IN MY
2 RECORDS, I ALSO HAVE SEVERE BRUISING ACROSS MY BACK FROM ABUSE
3 FROM A GRANDMOTHER WHO I TOLD PEOPLE WERE ABUSING ME OVER AND
4 OVER AGAIN. BUT, CAN'T REMOVE THE CHILD FOR THAT, CAN WE NOW?
5 NO, NO, NO, LET'S WAIT UNTIL SHE STARTS RUNNING AWAY FROM HOME
6 AT 10 TO 12 YEARS OLD WORRIED ABOUT BEING SENT BACK HOME
7 BECAUSE ALL SHE WAS WAS A STATE CHECK. THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON
8 FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. D.C.F.S. FACILITATING ABUSERS AS
9 OPPOSED TO GOOD, LOVING FAMILIES. IF IT DOESN'T STOP, NEITHER
10 WILL I. I WILL CONTINUE TO COST YOU TRILLIONS IF I CAN. HAVE A
11 GREAT DAY.

12

13 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** I HOPE YOU'RE HAVING FUN NOW, KNABE. I HOPE
14 YOUR YOUR INDIGESTION IS GETTING WORSE BECAUSE YOUR MONSTER
15 THAT YOU CREATED AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD HERE AND
16 PREVIOUS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD THAT HAVE CREATED, THIS MONSTER
17 CALLED D.C.F.S. THIS CRIMINAL ABUSE AGENCY THAT SHELTERS
18 CRIMINALS, SHELTERS ABUSIVE THINGS IN THE NAME OF PROTECTING
19 THE FOSTER PARENTS BECAUSE WE CAN'T GET ACCESS TO EXTRA FOSTER
20 PARENTS. WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT LOSING FOSTER PARENTS, OH BOO
21 HOO. WHEN FOSTER PARENTS ABUSE KIDS, THEY NEED TO BE REMOVED.
22 YOU'RE CREATING A MONSTER. YOU'RE VERY IGNORANT. YOU'RE LYING.
23 VERY SHELTERING OF THESE GROUPS IS CREATING THE MONSTER THAT
24 IS CREATING YOUR HEARTBURN THAT IS EATING UP TIME AND MONEY
25 AND RESOURCES THAT THIS COUNTY CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE. PLEASE

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1 PAY ATTENTION. BECAUSE I'M ONLY GOING TO SAY THIS ONCE. IF I
2 THOUGHT I COULD GET AWAY WITH A PUBLIC ARREST, I WOULD BUT YOU
3 HAVE THE JUDGES IN YOUR POCKET. YOU HAVE THE POLICE OFFICERS
4 IN YOUR POCKET. YOU HAVE EVERYTHING. AND YOU THINK YOU'RE
5 BULLETPROOF. BUT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS ORDERED YOU TO
6 COMPLY. SO YOU BETTER GET OFF YOUR CANS S.T.F.U. AND LISTEN TO
7 THE PUBLIC. YOU SPENT HOURS EVERY FRICKING SESSION TALKING
8 ABOUT DEAD PEOPLE, BUT YET THESE PEOPLE THAT COME IN HERE, YOU
9 REFUSE TO TALK TO. YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO TALK TO THEM, TO
10 REFER THEM. YET YOU MISLEAD THEM AND YOU MISLEAD THE PUBLIC.
11 YOU TALK TO STARS. I REMEMBER A COUPLE, A YEAR OR TWO AGO
12 THERE WAS, WHAT'S HIS NAME ED ASNER CAME IN HERE TALKING ABOUT
13 A PERSONAL THING. YOU TALKED TO HIM DIRECTLY. YOU LIE TO THE
14 PUBLIC THAT YOU CAN'T TALK TO THEM DIRECTLY ABOUT THEIR CASE.
15 YOU LIE TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN D.C.F.S. AND
16 YOU'RE LYING TO THE PUBLIC BY COVERING UP THEIR ABUSE. YOU
17 CRIMINALS. YOU ENABLERS.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TURN HIM OFF, PLEASE. NEXT? SIR, YOU'RE
20 DONE, OKAY? WE DON'T NEED ANY FINGER POINTING AND SCREAMING,
21 WE CAN HEAR YOU VERY WELL. WE DON'T NEED ANY OUTRAGE OUT CALLS
22 OUT THERE, PLEASE. WHY? WHY? WE'LL TELL YOU WHY. EXCUSE ME. GO
23 AHEAD.

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1 **MICHAEL CALDER:** FIRST, THANK YOU. FOR LETTING ME AS A MEMBER
2 OF THE PUBLIC COME IN AND MAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS. IT'S LIKE
3 DEMOCRACY IN ACTION. I'M GLAD TO SEE IT. I'M MICHAEL CALDER,
4 I'M A U.C. BERKELEY GRADUATE. I'M THE AUTHOR OF "J.F.K. VERSUS
5 C.I.A." I'M AN EXPERT ON THE ROBERT KENNEDY MURDER, AS WELL,
6 HAVING ANALYZED THE COMPLETE L.A.P.D. INVESTIGATION FILES AND
7 THE F.B.I. FILES. I WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S BEEN 47 YEARS SINCE
8 SIRHAN HAS BEEN IMPRISONED ALMOST HALF A CENTURY. IF HE IS
9 GUILTY, THAT'S CERTAINLY TIME ENOUGH TO PUNISH HIM. AND IF
10 HE'S INNOCENT, IT'S UNFORGIVABLE. MY OWN ANALYSIS SAYS THERE'S
11 A SECOND GUNMAN AND SHOOTING KENNEDY IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD
12 WHILE SIRHAN IS COMING FROM THE FRONT BUT THAT'S A DIFFERENT
13 TRIAL. WHAT I'M ASKING FOR THIS BOARD IS THAT YOU REQUEST FROM
14 THE GOVERNOR TO AT LEAST CONSIDER PAROLING SIRHAN SIRHAN.
15 THERE IS PRECEDENT FROM THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS I'VE READ
16 STUDIES. BAXTER WARD LED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THE '70S
17 WITH SOME VERY FORCEFUL FINDINGS THAT EVENTUALLY LED THE
18 L.A.P.D. TO RELEASE THE FILES ON THE ROBERT KENNEDY
19 ASSASSINATION. IT ONLY TOOK 20 YEARS. BUT THERE IS PRECEDENT
20 FOR THE BOARD TO HAVE AN ACTIVE INTEREST IN THIS CASE SINCE
21 BOB KENNEDY WAS KILLED IN L.A. PAUL SHRADE, HE'S A FRIEND OF
22 MINE, HE WAS A SHOOTING VICTIM. HE WAS A FRIEND OF KENNEDY'S,
23 AS WELL. AND HE ALSO IS REQUESTING THAT THE GOVERNOR GRANT
24 PAROLE TO SIRHAN. GIVE HIM THE LAST 10 YEARS OF HIS LIFE TO

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1 CLEAR HIS NAME AND MAYBE CORRECT SOME OF THE WRONGS FROM THE
2 '60S. I HAVE JUST A SHORT LETTER FOR EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GIVE IT TO THE SHERIFF. HE WILL
5 MAKE SURE THAT WE ALL GET A COPY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR
6 YOUR TIME. NEXT? MR. SACHS?

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. A
9 COUPLE QUICK ARTICLES FROM THE L.A. TIMES. ACTUALLY BOTH FROM
10 SUNDAY. TOP FRONT PAGE. "BROWN PRISON REFORM FALLS SHORT OF
11 GOAL". AND THEN THERE IS ONE ABOUT THE "WATER WAR BUBBLING
12 BETWEEN CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA." WELL, THE REASON I BRING THEM
13 UP IS BECAUSE ON THURSDAY, AGAIN, THE M.T.A. WILL BE MEETING.
14 TALK ABOUT CRIMINALLY INSANE. AND THEY WERE GOING TO BE
15 DISCUSSING MEASURE "R" PROJECTS. AND SO I BRING UP THIS "BROWN
16 PRISON REFORM FALLS SHORT OF GOALS BECAUSE IT SHOWS
17 PROJECTIONS VERSUS REALITY." AND SO YOU BRING UP MEASURE R,
18 AND YOU TALK ABOUT ALL THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS THAT ARE
19 GOING ON. AND THE PROJECTIONS VERSUS THE REALITY WHERE YOU'RE
20 SUPPOSED TO GET \$1.3 BILLION, OVER \$1.3 BILLION A YEAR. BUT
21 WHAT WERE YOU BASING IT ON? 670,000? \$670 MILLION? SO YOU
22 ALMOST DOUBLED THE PROJECTIONS IN ONE YEAR. BUT THERE'S
23 NOTHING IN THE L.A. TIMES ABOUT THAT. AND THE WATER WAR STORY,
24 THE COMPACT BETWEEN THE STATES 1922 BASED ON A FRAUD IS WHAT
25 IT STATES IN THE PAPER. BASED ON A FRAUD. M.T.A. IN A FRAUD?

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1 YOU KNOW, A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, MAYBE THREE MONTHS AGO THERE WAS
2 A LAWYER WHO WAS FOUND GUILTY OF STEALING FROM THE M.T.A. DO
3 YOU KNOW HOW BAD A LAWYER YOU HAVE TO BE TO BE FOUND GUILTY OF
4 STEALING FROM THE M.T.A.? THAT'S ALMOST AN OXYMORON. SOME OF
5 THE BIGGEST CROOKS SIT ON THAT BOARD, AND SOMEBODY WAS FOUND
6 GUILTY OF STEALING FROM THE M.T.A.? CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT,
7 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? HE COULD HAVE JUST MODIFIED STATE LAW.
8 HE COULD HAVE JUST SAID, DO YOU KNOW WHAT? I'M GOING TO THE
9 GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY WAY, CREATING A CONSTRUCTION
10 AUTHORITY THAT DOESN'T EXIST SO IT CAN OWN PROPERTY. HE COULD
11 HAVE CALLED THE BOARD MEMBERS FOR HIS WITNESSES. WOULDN'T THAT
12 HAVE BEEN SOMETHING? WHAT A JOB. WHAT A HAND. YOU OUGHT TO GET
13 A HAND FOR THAT JOB.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU KNOW, I'M TELLING YOU, MR. SACHS --

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I CAN'T CONGRATULATE YOU? [INAUDIBLE]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN, CJ PARK, RUTH HALL AND
20 MELINDA WAIT WILL BE THE NEXT FOUR?

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
23 DISTRICT 3. TODAY AT THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE MEETING WE HAD
24 A MOMENT FOR MERRICK BOBB AND I JUST WANTED TO LEND MY VOICE
25 TO THE APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK THAT HE DID OVER THE YEARS AT

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1 TRYING TO POLICE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND TO MAKE REPORTS
2 THAT COULD BE USED AND TAKEN BY THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
3 PUT TO GOOD USE. AND I SUPPOSE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND
4 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WHO ARE ALSO HEADING FOR RETIREMENT, ALONG
5 WITH JOHN KRATTLI, ACTUALLY, WHO I WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND ON
6 HIS SERVICE, THESE JAIL PROBLEMS ARE CONTINUING, OF COURSE.
7 AND WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS FIND A WAY TO MOVE THESE SILOS,
8 LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE, THE D.A. WHO'S ACROSS THE STREET WORKING ON
9 DIVERSION, INTO THE DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW TO MEANINGFULLY DEAL
10 WITH OUR MENTAL HEALTH POPULATION OPPOSED TO COMMITTING TO A
11 GIANT BOND THAT WE DON'T FULLY UNDERSTAND TO BUILD A GIANT
12 BRAND NEW JAIL IN THE MODEL OF TWIN TOWERS THAT I THINK MOST
13 PEOPLE AGREE WE DON'T NEED AT THAT SIZE. THERE MAY BE SOME NEW
14 FACILITY AND SOME CONFIGURATION. SO I'M ASKING THE BOARD TO
15 FIND ITS INFLUENCE TO DO THAT TODAY. AND REGARDING ITEM NO. 1,
16 WHICH THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM THAT HAS BEEN -- WAS NOT ABLE TO
17 GET A MAJORITY -- THERE WAS A MAJORITY PROTEST. BUT WHAT DOES
18 THAT MEAN? DOES THAT MEAN THAT THERE ARE? DID SOMEBODY VOTE
19 AGAINST IT? COULD I GET A RESPONSE ON THAT?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHAT A MAJORITY PROTEST MEANS.

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** WHO VOTED AGAINST IT?

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE RESIDENTS.

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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** OH THE RESIDENTS. OH, SO THEY TALLIED UP ALL THE
3 VOTES. OKAY. SO MY MISUNDERSTANDING. VERY INTERESTING. AND WAS
4 THAT GOOD OR BAD FOR THE RESIDENTS? BECAUSE THERE WAS SOME
5 CONFUSION. I GUESS IT DEPENDS WHICH SIDE YOU VOTED ON.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY.

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL WE'LL LOOK INTO THAT BECAUSE THAT WOMAN MADE
10 THAT PROTEST WHICH WAS VERY INTERESTING TO US BECAUSE IT
11 SOUNDED LIKE IT WAS A FAKE OUT. BUT I GUESS WE'LL JUST HAVE TO
12 -- WE'LL LOOK MORE CLOSELY AT THAT BECAUSE NOBODY WILL BE ABLE
13 TO EXPLAIN IT TO ME NOW. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN
14 COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHO IS "WE"?

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18 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL I GUESS I WILL LOOK INTO IT IN MY TEAM BUT
19 IF YOU'D LIKE TO LOOK INTO IT.

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21 **SUP ANTONOVICH:** YOU LIVE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS?

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23 **ERIC PREVEN:** NO, I DON'T LIVE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. DO YOU? OH,
24 OKAY. NEITHER. NO, I KNOW THE WOMAN WHO CAME DOWN HERE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE WAS FROM CASTAIC. THERE ARE TWO
2 DIFFERENT AREAS. ANTONIA, NEXT PLEASE? NEXT, PLEASE.

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4 **CJ PARK:** WE HAVE A MOTHER WHO'S IN DANGER OF LOSING HER
5 PARENTAL RIGHTS RIGHT NOW. HER MOTHER IS RODIKA. IT'S ALL
6 BASED ON FALSE ALLEGATIONS. IT'S AN ATROCITY. ON NBC NEWS,
7 THERE WERE 168 CHILDREN RESCUED JUST RECENTLY, BUT I HAVE TO
8 TELL YOU THAT'S JUST THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG. WE'RE TALKING
9 ABOUT LITTLE BABIES UNDER 1 YEAR BEING TRAFFICKED IN THIS
10 COUNTRY. AMERICA NEEDS TO OPEN ITS EYES. THEY NEED TO BE TOLD
11 WHAT'S GOING ON. AND THE MEDIA NEEDS TO TELL THE TRUTH. THANK
12 YOU.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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16 **RUTH HULL:** YES, I'M RUTH HULL AGAIN. YOU KNOW, ONE THING THAT
17 IS HAPPENING IN OUR SOCIETY IS TREMENDOUS BREAKDOWN OF THE
18 FAMILY STRUCTURE. I KNOW THAT I HAD A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH
19 MY PARENTS AND I AM WHO I AM BECAUSE OF THEM. MY MOTHER
20 CARRIED ME FOR NINE MONTHS AS I DID MY KIDS. WHEN MY SON, WHEN
21 HE WAS 27 WEEKS, I WOUND UP IN PRETERM LABOR AND AT ONE TIME I
22 WAS TOLD I HAD A CHOICE BETWEEN MY LIFE AND THE LIFE OF MY
23 SON'S. THE DOCTOR WANTED TO CHOOSE MY LIFE I PRACTICALLY FIRED
24 HIM ON THE SPOT. AND I MADE SURE THAT THEY KNEW THAT I WAS
25 WILLING TO DIE AT ANY MOMENT FOR MY CHILD BECAUSE A PARENT WHO

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1 LOVES THEIR CHILD IS ABLE TO DO THAT. AND WHAT I HAVE SEEN IN
2 D.C.F.S. IS A CONTINUATION OF THE BREAKDOWN OF THE FAMILY
3 STRUCTURE. KIDS ARE CONFUSED. THEY GROW UP TO BECOME ABUSERS
4 OR DRUG USERS OR WHATEVER BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE THAT BOND TO
5 THE PARENTS WHO LOVE THEM MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN THE
6 WORLD. AND SOMETIMES YOU HAVE ABUSIVE PARENTS. AND THOSE
7 INDIVIDUALS MAY NEED TO BE REMOVED. BUT SO OFTEN YOU HAVE
8 MOTHERS AND PARENTS WHO LOVE THEIR KIDS SO MUCH THAT THEY
9 WOULD DIE FOR THEM. AND WHEN YOU SEE FOSTER PARENTS WHO ARE
10 WILLING TO LET KIDS EAT OF THE TRASH CANS AND D.C.F.S. THINKS
11 THAT THOSE ARE BETTER PARENTS THAN A MOTHER WHO LOVES HER
12 CHILDREN? THAT IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM. WE NEED TO STOP THE
13 ADOPTIONS FROM D.C.F.S. AND WE NEED TO START WORKING ON MAKING
14 SURE THAT PARENTS HAVE THE ABILITY AND THE RESOURCES TO RAISE
15 OUR KIDS WITH LOVE AND THE COMPASSION THAT ONLY A TRUE PARENT
16 CAN GIVE. THANK YOU.

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18 **SPEAKER:** HI. ROBERT SINGER PERSUADED US, A GROUP OF US FROM A
19 PROTESTING AT YOUR RETIREMENT FESTIVITIES ON THE 21ST, MR.
20 YAROSLAVSKY, HE ASSURED US THAT YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE ON THE
21 BOARD WHO WANTS TO FIX D.C.F.S. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME THE
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS ASSEMBLED A COMMISSION TO COME UP
23 WITH A SERIES OF SWEEPING REFORMS FOR THIS AWFUL CHILD WELFARE
24 AGENCY. OUR QUESTION TO YOU, ZEV, IS WHY DIDN'T THE BOARD MAKE
25 THE MEANINGFUL CHANGES ADVISED IN THE APRIL OF 2012 82-PAGE

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1 SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNIT REPORT THAT THE TAXPAYERS HAVE
2 ALREADY PAID FOR? IF YOU WOULD HAVE FOLLOWED THOSE
3 RECOMMENDATIONS, GABRIEL FERNANDEZ AND JOSHUA VASQUEZ WOULD
4 STILL BE ALIVE TODAY. AND I THINK THERE WAS TALK DURING THE
5 BLUE RIBBON THAT THERE'S ANOTHER 18 CHILDREN WHO HAVE DIED
6 SINCE THE APRIL 2012 REPORT TO YOU GUYS. IN THE MEANTIME,
7 RODIKA, WHO YOUR PEOPLE, YOUR BAILIFFS HAVE JUST THROWN OUT OF
8 THIS ROOM, IS AT THE DEPENDENCY COURT TOMORROW TO LOSE HER
9 CHILDREN ON RIDICULOUS CHARGES. IN A NUTSHELL, HER FOUR-YEAR-
10 OLDS, WERE TALKING BABY TALK, AND A LYING D.C.F.S. WORKERS
11 TURNED IT INTO A SEXUAL ABUSE CASE. AND SHE IS LOSING HER
12 CHILDREN OVER FALSE, RIDICULOUS, LAUGHABLE CHARGES. AND SHE IS
13 GOING TO -- THESE CHILDREN ARE GOING TO BE ADOPTED OUT.
14 THEY'RE TWINS AND THEY'RE ADOPTABLE. THEY HAVE BEEN TARGETED
15 BY YOUR ORGANIZATION, D.C.F.S. ZEV, YOU HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF
16 TIME. PLEASE HELP US. DON'T LET DOWN YOUR FRIEND ROBERT.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S SEE ANTONIA IS NEXT. THEN I'D ASK
19 TERESIJA SIGMUND, ASTRID LEHNKE, JOHN WALSH TO JOIN US,
20 PLEASE?

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22 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU. TODAY CALLS FOR AN ELABORATE
23 BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF THESE TWO BRILLIANT COSMIC
24 PERSONALITIES. FIRST IS THE EIGHTH WONDER OF THE WORLD, A
25 POLITICAL GIANT OF A 20TH CENTURY AND PUT MEXICO ON THE MAP

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1 AND ADVOCATE IT TO SPEAK THAT WE SHOULD RESPECT AND ENCOURAGE
2 FREEDOM OF SPEECH. AND HE IS THE EX-PRESIDENT FOX OF THE
3 REPUBLIC OF MEXICO. HE WILL CELEBRATE HIS BIRTHDAY ON JULY THE
4 SECOND. FELIZ (INAUDIBLE). AND THE SECOND IS THE NINTH WONDER
5 OF THE WORLD AND A POLITICAL GIANT OF THE 21ST CENTURY WHO WAS
6 ENDOWED WITH SUPER SONIC BRILLIANCE AND THE GALACTIC FLAIR OF
7 SPEECH TO THE MOST MINUTAE OF DETAILS IN ANY GIVEN SUBJECT
8 MATTER, THIS WHOLESOME WHITE MAN, THE HONORABLE EX-MAYOR OF
9 ANAHEIM CURT PRINGLE WILL CELEBRATE HIS BIRTHDAY ON JUNE 27TH.
10 CURT PRINGLE WAS A LEGENDARY PUBLIC SERVANT FOR THE PEOPLE TO
11 THE PUBLIC WHO REFRESHINGLY AND GENUINELY COINED THE TERM
12 "FREEDOM-FRIENDLY ANAHEIM." AND HE WELCOMED EVERY SPEAKER WITH
13 HIS CROWN OF INTEGRITY, HONESTY, COURTESY, FULL ATTENTION,
14 UNCENSORED KINDNESS, HONOR AND HUMAN DIGNITY. MOREOVER, HIS
15 CONTAGIOUS PERSONALITY, ALONG WITH HIS POLITICAL JOKES, ADDED
16 CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO A FEW UNRESOLVED CITY PROBLEMS THAT MADE
17 ANAHEIM LEAP TO THE STARS IN PROSPERITY, PUBLIC SAFETY, POLICE
18 DEPARTMENT, AIR AND GROUND TOURISM, VIBRANT TRADE AND COMMERCE
19 AND GREATER ATTRACTIONS AT DISNEYLAND. YES, BOTH THESE GIANTS
20 HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH A MIDAS TOUCH. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LONG
21 LIVE CURT PRINGLE AND VICENTE FOX. AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED
22 STATE MILITARY AND GOD BLESS AMERICA. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1 **TERESIJA SIGMUND:** I'M BACK AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, I'M NOT
2 FINISHED. HERE'S THE FLYER I'M REFERRING TO. FOSTER YOUTH
3 RIGHTS. AND NOW KEEP IN MIND THOSE LITTLE GIRLS, THIS ONE
4 LITTLE GIRL WAS FORCED TO EAT FROM THE TRASH AS A PUNISHMENT.
5 YOU HAVE RIGHTS, TOO, HA-HA. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO LIVE IN A
6 SAFE COMFORTABLE HOME WITH ENOUGH CLOTHES AND HEALTHY FOOD. I
7 DON'T THINK FOOD FROM THE TRASH IS CONSIDERED HEALTHY FOOD.
8 NOT AMONGST YOU GUYS, NOT AMONGST FOSTER KIDS. YOU HAVE THE
9 RIGHT TO BE TREATED WITH RESPECT. HOW RESPECTFUL DOES THIS MAN
10 IN A CRAZY RAGE RUNS INTO THE WOMAN'S BATHROOM, GETS A BANANA
11 OUT THAT'S HALF EATEN AND SAYS EAT IT IN FRONT OF YOUR SISTER
12 TO HUMILIATE HER? WHERE'S THE RESPECT? NO ONE CAN ABUSE YOU
13 PHYSICALLY OR EMOTIONALLY FOR ANY REASON. THAT'S EMOTIONAL
14 ABUSE? WOW. PUNISH YOU BY PHYSICALLY HURTING YOU FOR ANY
15 REASON. OR GIVING YOU TRASH FOOD? YOU GIVE A BUM FOOD FROM THE
16 TRASH, YOU GIVE A BUM A BANANA FROM THE TRASH AND SAY "EAT
17 IT", THEY WILL BE INSULTED. BUT FOR FOSTER CARE KIDS, THAT'S
18 JUST FINE. I HAVE A COPY FOR YOU, BY THE WAY, BECAUSE
19 APPARENTLY YOURS GOT IN THE MAIL LOST FOR A LONG TIME AGO. IN
20 FACT, VERY LONG BECAUSE THIS IS FROM STATE GOVERNMENT OF GRAY
21 DAVIS. THIS IS LIKE 5,000 GOVERNORS AGO. SO THE NEW GOVERNORS
22 APPARENTLY THEY DON'T NEED THE FOSTER KIDS TO KNOW RIGHTS
23 BECAUSE DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE REALITY IS, THEY DON'T HAVE
24 RIGHTS. IF YOU WERE TO RETRACT THE RIGHTS THAT THE FOSTER KIDS
25 REALLY HAVE, YOU COULD TURN A LITTLE BUSINESS CARD, DO YOU

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1 KNOW WHAT IT WOULD SAY? HA-HA THERE'S NONE LEFT. GOOD LUCK TO
2 YOU. AND THE REALITY IS, YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
3 THIS WOMAN IS FACED TO LOSING HER PARENTAL RIGHTS TOMORROW. I
4 KNOW YOU'RE BUSY LOOKING AT EVERYTHING ELSE AND WHAT DOES IT
5 MATTER TO YOU? BUT IT'S WRONG. TO LOSE YOUR CHILDREN BASED ON
6 A CORRUPT SYSTEM THAT YOU KNOW IS CORRUPT. I KNOW IT'S
7 CORRUPT. I'VE PROVED IT'S CORRUPT. AND NO ONE HELPING THAT
8 WOMAN.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT? AND I WOULD ASK DAVID SERRANO AND
11 TUT HAYES, AND ROSETTE DEWART TO JOIN US. AND DENISE PAZ.

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13 **SPEAKER:** YES, HI, GOOD MORNING, GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. I
14 WAS ASKED TO COME HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF RODIKA, WHO IS A
15 FELLOW MOTHER. I MYSELF AM A MOTHER OF A 16-YEAR-OLD. I WAS
16 INVOLVED WITH THE D.C.F.S. ON TWO OCCASIONS. THE FIRST
17 OCCASION, MY EX DRAGGED ME INTO COURT AND THE D.C.F.S. REMOVED
18 MY CHILD FROM MY CUSTODY FOR A YEAR AND A HALF. I WENT THROUGH
19 THE MOST HORRIFIC LITIGATION YOU COULD IMAGINE. I WAS IN COURT
20 EACH AND EVERY WEEK. I NEARLY LOST MY SON THEN. I WAS GIVEN MY
21 SON BACK WITH ABSOLUTELY NO DIRECTION, WITH NO RESOURCE, WITH
22 NO THERAPY, WITH NOTHING. THE SECOND TIME AROUND, MY HUSBAND
23 DID, MY EX-HUSBAND DID THIS AGAIN. AND THIS TIME HE WAS
24 CHARGED OF SEVERE EMOTIONAL ABUSE. THOSE CHARGES WERE NEVER
25 FOLLOWED THROUGH. I AM AGAIN IN COURT FIGHTING FOR MY CHILD,

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1 ONLY THIS TIME IN FAMILY COURT. IT SEEMS THAT THE D.C.F.S. HAS
2 BECOME A WEAPON FOR THE ADOPTION OF CHILDREN, FOR HIGH
3 CONFLICT CUSTODY BATTLES SUCH AS MY OWN. I'M HERE TO SPEAK
4 ABOUT RODIKA PARTICULARLY TODAY. SHE IS ABOUT TO LOSE THE
5 RIGHT TO HER DAUGHTERS TOMORROW. AND I HAVE TO WONDER: WHAT IS
6 THE D.C.F.S. DOING ABOUT ALL THIS? ARE THEY REALLY
7 INVESTIGATING WHAT IS GOING ON HERE? ARE WE JUST -- IS IT JUST
8 BECOMING AN ADOPTION CENTER? IS IT JUST BECOMING AN
9 INSTITUTION THAT CAN BE USED AND ABUSED BY HIGH CONFLICT
10 CUSTODY BATTLES? THE CHILDREN HERE ARE LOSING. I'M A PARENT. I
11 LOVE MY CHILD. I'M SURE THAT RODIKA DOES LOVE HER CHILDREN, AS
12 WELL. THIS HAS BEEN AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TIME FOR HER. I ASK
13 YOU, I BEG YOU TO PLEASE, PLEASE LISTEN TO THE CHILDREN. HELP
14 THEM. THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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18 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. YOU
19 ARE HOLDING ON JULY 4TH A FIREWORKS SHOW AT GRAND PARK. NOW,
20 THE LAST TIME YOU TRIED TO DO THIS WAS ON NEW YEAR'S EVE.
21 THERE WAS CHAOS. IT WAS OUT OF CONTROL. YOU HAD TO CLOSE THE
22 BOULEVARD. AND IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN AGAIN. DON'T EXPECT ANY
23 HELP FROM L.A.P.D. THESE HUGE GATHERINGS ARE AN EXCUSE FOR THE
24 GANGS TO RUN CRAZY. I WANT IT. IT'S NOW ON YOUR RECORD. NOW,
25 AS FAR AS THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, I AM NOT GOING

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1 TO USE THE FOUR LETTER WORD THAT HE USED IN FRONT OF CHILDREN
2 AT THE RANGERS, I MEAN AT THE HOCKEY FANS' BIG GET TOGETHER.
3 HE USED IT. AND DO YOU KNOW WHAT HE SAID? LIGHTEN UP. GROW UP.
4 THAT WAS IN FRONT OF CHILDREN. NOW, MR. ANTONOVICH IS THE ONLY
5 PERSON ON THIS BOARD THAT HAS A CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE.
6 WHAT WOULD YOU FEEL LIKE, MIKE, IF HE SAID IT IN FRONT OF YOUR
7 CHILD? AND CALLED YOU A PRUDE? AND INCIDENTALLY, HE DOESN'T
8 USE THAT WORD WHEN IT'S IN FRONT OF HIS CHILD, HIS ADOPTED
9 CHILD BECAUSE HE HAS NO CHILDREN OF HIS OWN. IS IT POLITICALLY
10 CORRECT AT LONG LAST FOR ADULTS, FOR THE MAYOR TO USE THE "F"
11 WORD IN FRONT OF CHILDREN? IS THAT WHAT IT HAS COME DOWN TO?
12 AND I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW, IF IT'S OKAY, HE'S RUNNING THE
13 M.T.A. BOARD STARTING PRETTY SOON. I WILL BE USING THE "F"
14 WORD 15 OR 20 TIMES IN FRONT OF HIM AT THE M.T.A. BOARD UNDER
15 PUBLIC COMMENT, AND HE SAYS IT'S POLITICALLY CORRECT. AND I
16 EXPECT TO HAVE SOME -- NOW, ZEV IS GONE IN NOVEMBER. WE'LL
17 NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN. PRAISE BE TO ALLAH. WE WILL NEVER SEE ZEV
18 AGAIN AFTER NOVEMBER. LIGHTEN UP. SHEILA KUEHL VOTE FOR HER.
19 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TIME'S UP. NEXT?

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23 **DENISE PAZ:** HI, MY NAME IS DENISE PAZ. THE LEVEL OF PROPAGANDA
24 IS OUTRAGEOUS. D.C.F.S. IS OUT SPREADING PROPAGANDA FOR
25 INCENTIVES, RETALIATION AND SOMETIMES FOR REASONS KNOWN TO

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1 THEMSELVES. THIS POOR MOTHER WAS JUST ESCORTED. WHY IS SHE
2 GETTING TREATED WITH THIRD WORLD GUTTER STANDARDS? SHE WANTED
3 TO COME AND TALK TO YOU GUYS ABOUT HER SITUATION, HOW HER
4 DAUGHTER WAS FORCED TO EAT A BANANA FROM THE GARBAGE AT A RAP
5 CENTER MARVISTA. I KNOW IT IS VERY SAD THAT YOU GUYS DON'T
6 HAVE NO COMPASSION FOR HEALTHY MOTHERS SUCH AS RODIKA. PLEASE
7 CONSIDER AND INVESTIGATE THE SITUATION. AND THIS IS ALL THE
8 FACTS, HOW THE FOSTER FATHER GOT ESCORTED AND DEBARRED FROM
9 THE FACILITY FOR ENTERING THE WOMAN'S BATHROOM, WHICH IS SUCH
10 A BEHAVIOR ISSUE. THIS IS SCARY. SO PLEASE, THESE ARE THE
11 FACTS AND THE COMMENTS AND EVERYTHING. SO THIS IS THE PROOF
12 RIGHT HERE. SO PLEASE, IF YOU GUYS CAN PLEASE HELP RODIKA, IT
13 IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU GUYS REVOKE THIS MAN'S LICENSE. WE'RE
14 ALREADY TALKING TO SACRAMENTO SO THAT HIS LICENSE COULD BE
15 REMOVED. BUT I'M PRAYING -- I'M BEGGING YOU GUYS TO PLEASE
16 HELP THIS MOTHER. PLEASE. DO SOMETHING PRODUCTIVE FOR US,
17 OKAY? THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT? NEXT? WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO
20 AHEAD, PLEASE.

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22 **SPEAKER:** START MY TIME? THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS A PROBLEM
23 WITH TREES UPROOTING SIDEWALKS AND THEY BROUGHT THAT PROBLEM
24 RIGHT TO THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION DOOR STEPS. GO OUT THE
25 FRONT, TO HILL. GO TO THE LEFT. GO TO THE NORTH YOU'LL FIND A

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1 BUS STOP WHERE THE SIDEWALK IS UPROOTED. GO ON TEMPLE, SAME
2 THING. NOW THIS SEEMS SIMPLE TO ME THAT YOU CAN COORDINATE AND
3 GET ASSOCIATION WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OF CITY OF
4 L.A. BECAUSE THE COUNTY DOESN'T OWN THAT SIDEWALK, THE CITY
5 DOES. BUT THE COUNTY, WITH ALL YOUR WORKERS COMING HERE HAVE
6 NEVER BROUGHT THIS TO YOUR ATTENTION, OTHERWISE I'M SURE THEY
7 WOULD HAVE SATISFIED THIS CONDITION OF PUBLIC SAFETY. NOW, FOR
8 THE HARD PART. PREMEDITATED MURDER. EVERYONE KNOWS THAT WHEN
9 YOU CROSS THE TRAIN TRACKS OF THE BLUE LINE WITH A CAR OR
10 PEDESTRIAN, YOU'RE LIKELY TO BE KILLED. WIKIPEDIA POINTS OUT
11 THAT THE BLUE LINE IS THE DEADLIEST RAILROAD IN THE ENTIRE
12 COUNTRY. 125 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN KILLED BY THAT TRAIN SO FAR
13 BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE FORCED TO CROSS THE TRACKS. THE PUBLIC
14 SAFETY DIRECTOR FOR M.T.A. POINTS OUT WHEN YOU MAKE PEOPLE
15 CROSS TRACKS IN CARS OR AS PEDESTRIANS, YOU WILL KILL THEM. SO
16 YOU VOTED TO HAVE THE CRENSHAW LINE COME UP ON GRADE AND DOWN
17 AND UP FOUR TIMES. AND YOU KNOW PEOPLE WILL BE KILLED. AND
18 THAT'S CALLED PREMEDITATED MURDER. PREMEDITATED MURDER. NOW,
19 YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT. YOU CAN PUT IT UNDERGROUND.
20 THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE CRENSHAW LINE. SO YOU'VE BEEN TOLD
21 THAT YOU ARE BEING ACCUSED OF PLANNING THE MURDER OF BLACK
22 PEOPLE PARTICULARLY ON THE CRENSHAW LINE. DO SOMETHING ABOUT
23 IT.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, NEXT?

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2 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY
3 SPIRIT, THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE GOD, AMEN. HALLELUJAH. THE
4 HOLY TRINITY CREATED HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN. LORD GOD
5 ALMIGHTY JESUS CHRIST CREATED HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, PRAISE
6 THE LORD. ACCORDING TO THE HOLY WILL OF GOD, THE HOLY TRINITY
7 CREATED THE UNIVERSE AT THE MOMENT INFINITE JESUS COMMANDED
8 THE UNIVERSE INTO EXISTENCE BY THE SPOKEN WORD OF GOD. AND THE
9 LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST CREATED THE UNIVERSE BY WAY OF THE BIG
10 BANG THAT INCLUDES INFLATION. AT THE VERY BEGINNING, AT THE
11 MOMENT THE LORD JESUS CREATED THE UNIVERSE, FOR A VERY BRIEF,
12 EXTREMELY BRIEF INSTANT, THE OBSERVABLE UNIVERSE WAS ACTUALLY
13 SMALLER IN SIZE THAN A NEUTRONS IN THE NUCLEUS OF AN ATOM.
14 AMEN, HALLELUJAH, PRAISE THE LORD, JESUS CHRIST CREATED HEAVEN
15 AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN, HALLELUJAH. ETERNAL JESUS WAS
16 CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD AND CHRIST
17 WAS BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY. JESUS NEVER SINNED. THE LORD
18 JESUS CHRIST PREACHED THE WORD OF GOD AND HE FORGAVE PEOPLE'S
19 SINS. JESUS CURED LEPROSY. JESUS RAISED THE DEAD TO LIFE.
20 INNOCENT JESUS WILLINGLY SHED HIS OWN SACRED, DIVINE BLOOD.
21 AND HE DIED ON THE CROSS FOR OUR SINS AS OUR SUBSTITUTE. HE
22 WAS BURIED AND ON THE THIRD DAY JESUS CHRIST RESURRECTED AND
23 HE LEFT THE TOMB, AMEN. THEN JESUS CHRIST APPEARED TO HUNDREDS
24 OF HIS DISCIPLES OVER THE COURSE OF 40 DAYS. THEN THE LORD
25 JESUS CHRIST ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN, AMEN. JESUS IS AT THE RIGHT

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1 HAND OF GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AMEN. CHRISTIANS RECEIVE
2 LIFE EVERLASTING WITH GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AMEN.
3 CHRISTIAN SOULS AND SPIRITS ASCEND INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN,
4 AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE ARE NOW OFFICIALLY
7 BLESSED. ALL RIGHT. YOU WANT TO READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION,
8 PLEASE?

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10 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
11 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
12 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS NO. CS-2,
13 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
14 ITEM NO. CS-3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
15 SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION AND ITEM NO. CS-4,
16 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE
17 POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JUNE 24, 2014**

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5 In open session, item CS-1 was continued one week to July 1,
6 2014.

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8 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
9 (Paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Government Code Section
10 54956.9) Tyler Willis v. County of Los Angeles, et al. U.S.
11 District Court Case No. CV 100 7390.

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13 This lawsuit concerns allegations that an inmate at Men's
14 Central Jail was subjected to excessive force. (13-4991)

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16 The Board authorized County Counsel to file an appeal in the
17 matter entitled Tyler Willis v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
18 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
19 present.

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21 No reportable action was taken on items CS-3 or CS-4.

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors June 24, 2014,
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
16 30th day of June 2014, for the County records to be used only
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18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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